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WEEKS DAYS.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ...Dep.	6.45	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.35	3.00	4.35
Yammat ...Dep.	7.01	8.21	9.26	10.16	12.16	1.31	2.51	3.16	4.51
Shatin ...Dep.	7.16	8.36	9.41	10.31	12.31	1.46	3.06	3.31	5.06
Taipei ...Dep.	7.31	8.51	9.56	10.46	12.46	2.01	3.21	3.46	5.21
Taipei Market Dep.	7.46	9.06	10.11	11.01	12.56	2.16	3.36	4.01	5.36
Fanning ...Dep.	7.56	9.16	10.21	11.11	13.06	2.26	3.46	4.11	5.46
Shumohui ...Dep.	8.11	9.31	10.36	11.26	13.21	2.41	3.61	4.26	6.01
Shumohui ...Arr.	8.26	9.46	10.51	11.41	13.36	2.56	3.76	4.41	6.16
Canton ...Arr.	8.41	10.01	11.06	11.56	13.51	3.01	4.21	4.56	6.31

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Canton ...Dep.	7.18	8.05	9.10	10.00	11.37	2.48	4.41	5.49	6.24
Shumohui ...Dep.	7.33	8.20	9.25	10.15	11.52	3.03	4.11	5.19	6.44
Fanning ...Dep.	7.48	8.35	9.40	10.30	12.07	3.18	4.26	5.34	6.59
Taipei Market Dep.	7.63	8.50	9.55	10.45	12.22	3.33	4.41	5.49	7.14
Taipei ...Dep.	7.78	8.65	10.00	10.50	12.37	3.48	4.56	6.04	7.29
Shatin ...Dep.	7.93	8.80	10.15	11.05	12.52	4.03	5.11	6.19	7.44
Shumohui ...Dep.	8.08	8.95	10.30	11.20	13.07	4.18	5.26	6.34	7.59
Shumohui ...Arr.	8.23	9.10	10.45	11.35	13.22	4.33	5.41	6.49	8.14
Kowloon ...Arr.	8.38	9.25	11.00	11.40	13.37	4.48	5.56	7.04	8.29

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ...Dep.	8.40	9.05	9.30	10.00	12.00	2.24	3.00	5.18	7.15
Yammat ...Dep.	8.55	9.20	9.45	10.15	12.15	2.39	3.15	5.33	7.30
Shatin ...Dep.	9.10	9.35	10.00	10.30	12.30	2.54	3.30	5.48	7.45
Taipei ...Dep.	9.25	9.50	10.15	10.45	12.45	3.09	3.45	6.03	8.00
Taipei Market Dep.	9.40	10.05	10.30	11.00	13.00	3.24	4.00	6.14	8.11
Fanning ...Dep.	9.55	10.20	10.45	11.15	13.15	3.39	4.15	6.29	8.26
Shumohui ...Dep.	10.10	10.35	11.00	11.30	13.30	3.54	4.30	6.44	8.41
Shumohui ...Arr.	10.25	10.50	11.15	11.45	13.45	4.09	4.45	6.59	8.56
Canton ...Arr.	10.40	11.05	11.30	12.00	14.00	4.24	5.00	7.14	9.11

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The one proposing and the other responding to the toast of "Increased prosperity to British Industries." Sir Alfred Mond and Lord Reading made these remarks at the 70th anniversary festival dinner of the Royal Metal Trades Pension and Benevolent Society at the Hotel Cecil.

At the same time they joined in paying a noteworthy tribute to British workmen and the better spirit showing itself in industry.

Sir Alfred, presiding, said: "The world's trade is, on the up-grade, but there cannot be a shadow of a doubt that the struggle of this country for the great markets outside its doors will become annually more severe. We have to rely not on past favours or past reputations, but on present activities and future improvements."

Better Leadership.

"Some people like to lay the blame on the workman, but the British workman is still the best, the most steady, loyal and easiest man to work with in the world. He is asking for better leadership. He is becoming more educated and therefore more critical. He is not prepared to fight under generals in whom he has no confidence. He is not prepared to accept economic conditions if he judges they are due, not to hard economic facts, but to incompetence, and for that I cannot blame him."

"I must have confidence in leadership, and he will respond with the same gallantry in the field of industry as he did on the field of battle. The British workman is more willing to-day to listen to the gospel of comradeship and co-operation in industry than for many years. Are we prepared to seize this golden opportunity? Are we prepared to say, 'Thank God the trade unions are not as strong as they used to be, or are we to say, 'We will now go out and fulfil our true function as friend, ally, and comrade to the man in our works?'"

"That is the position in front of us—it wants taking with faith, sincerity, and courage." (Cheers.)

Industrial Changes.

"In my young days," said Lord Reading, having first alluded to the large and gay gathering of women, and how they were concerned in industry, "women were dressed in voluminous folds, furbelows and furbelows. Now there is a complete change."

"There is less of the voluminous folds to be observed, but women are doing their best for British industry. Each and every one of them contrives to put the best leg forward." (Laughter.)

"I need scarcely say that that means a very considerable development in British industry." (Laughter.)

Discussing the changes in the industrial sphere which he had noticed during the 15 months since his return to England, he said competition was keener, and the need for greater capacity, industry and driving power was all the greater. No one could doubt that all these qualities were to be found among our manufacturers.

"The one outstanding feature upon which I have found everybody agreed is that the British workman is of all workmen as good a product as you can possibly find. Our main difficulty seems to be in cheapness, in which competition is so keen."

Staggering Figures.

"The problem seems to be to reduce cost of production, not by lowering the standard of life of the workman but by increasing the productive power. Equally we have to attain ourselves to the particular demand that either exists or may be made to exist." (Continued on next column.)

MYSTERY GUNMAN IN JERSEY.

ISLAND SCOUTED FOR ARMED MAN.

WOMEN'S FEAR

JERSEY, October 17th.

Jersey is in a state of panic at the activities of a mystery gunman, alleged to be holding up residents at the point of a revolver, terrorising women in the island, and scaring children.

It is a week to-day since the mystery gunman made his appearance in the "Channel Islands." A stranger walked into an hotel bar on the Esplanade, Jersey, last Sunday, and called for a drink. He pulled out a service revolver, and, lying it on the counter, said to the assistant, "This is what I do to them in with."

The assistant reported the incident, and detectives lay in wait, but the mysterious armed stranger was never seen there again.

Every day since then Jersey police have been notified of some daring hold-up by an armed man.

A lorry, owned by Mr. Terry, of St. Helier, was being driven by two men in Westmount-road, on the outskirts of the town, on Tuesday, when shots were fired by the unseen assailant. They hit the glass screen, and narrowly missed the driver and his mate. The driver searched, but found no trace of their assailant. The police found footprints in the long grass of a high bank, behind which the gunman, it is believed, have concealed himself.

Handkerchief Clue.

They also found a man's purple silk handkerchief lying on the grass.

The handkerchief, which was shown me by Centenier Foster, in charge of the police investigations at St. Helier, when I saw him at the town hall to-day, is the solitary clue the police have, writes the correspondent of the Daily Express. Centenier Foster's desk was strewn with reports received from all parts of Jersey during the week that the mystery gunman had been seen. No fewer than thirty such reports were received by St. Helier police in the past twenty-four hours; possibly many of these are due to panic, as villagers in remote parts of the island are scared by stories of the gunman's deeds.

Two girls and a married woman, returning to La Rocque, reported being held up on the road by a revolver man, who levelled a revolver, and said he would fire if they did not go behind a hedge. The girls dropped their milk pails and ran into La Rocque Tavern, close by.

Frightened Women.

I went out to Grouville, a small seaside village five miles from St. Helier, this afternoon, and interrogated many people in regard to mysterious explosions, believed to be revolver shots, heard at night. Many women in the village are so scared that they will not venture out of doors after dusk.

Jersey police are mobilised, and a cordon, assisted by civilian volunteers, keeps close watch at night on every incoming and outgoing boat. Police scouts patrol the approaches to the town at regular intervals. Every hotel and boarding house in the island has been specially warned to watch for the suspect, whose description has been broadcast by the police all over Jersey.

"If it were not that I am connected with an industry which derives some revenue from advertising, I would have said it was essential not only to make, but to make people know, and having made them know, to make the demand grow."

"Some figures have recently staggered me. They show that in eight months this year the loss of days through disputes has been 787,000, whereas last year it was 162,000,000. Out of that period a great lesson has been learnt. The truth has emerged, and as between employer and employee there will be greater co-operation and less antagonism. A better spirit has already begun to spread among the workmen and among employers towards each other. There is the dawn already."

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

Xmas and New Year Letter Mail for Great Britain, closes at G.P.O., 9.30 a.m.
Bankruptcy Court, 10.30 a.m.
Gold, Dogey Pool, Fanning.
Entries close for Fanning Hunt Autumn Meeting, noon.
New Territories Agricultural Show Committee meeting, Sheung Shui, 2.30 p.m.
Yachting:—Racing Yachts: 3rd Championship Race.
Fanning Hunt meet Sheung Shui Police Station, 2.30 p.m.
Interport Cricket: Shanghai v. Hong Kong, H.K.C.C. ground (first day).
Cricket League:—Division I: Craigengower C.C. v. Royal Navy; Division II: H.K. Electric Co. v. R.A.O.C.; Club de Recreo v. Police R.C.
Friendly Cricket: C.S.C.C. v. Scots Guards, Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI. v. R.A.F.
Football League:—Division I: Kowloon v. S. China; Chinese Ath. v. Queen's Scots Guards v. R.A.; R.A.F. v. Club; Police v. Recreo; Division II: "A": R.A. v. South China; "B": K.O.S.B. v. Chinese Ath.; St. Joseph's v. South China; "A": University v. Kowloon; Recreo v. Club; Division II: "B": Boy Scouts v. St. Joseph's; Chinese Ath. v. South China "A"; South China "B" v. Kung Woo; Moslems v. Kowloon.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30—6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 4.30—6.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: King Edward, Hotel and Cafe Regent, 8 p.m.
Indoor Smoker at H.K.C.C. Pavilion, 9 p.m.
Charity Concert for Dr. Barnardo's Home, by St. Andrew's Troop of Boy Scouts, St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, 8 p.m.
Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club present "Pyldog Drummond," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Magician."

World Theatre: "The Midnight Sun."
Star Theatre: "The Cohens and the Kellys," 8.30 p.m.; "The New 'Our Cabaret'" present "A La Carte," 9.15 p.m.
Principal Mail: Inward: U.S.A., etc. (President Polk). Outward: Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Suwa Maru), 9.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Patroclus), 10.30 a.m.

Sunday.

23rd Sunday After Trinity.
Victoria Diocesan Association Sunday (Special Services at Cathedral).
Gold: Dogey Pool, Fanning.
Jasper Clark Cup and Qualifying Round for Championship.
Fanning Hunt: Hare and Hounds, Lokmachi, 10 a.m.
Cricket: Shanghai Interport Team v. K.C.C., 10.30 a.m.
Yachting:—Cruisers: 2nd Championship Race.
Theosophical Society: Lecture by Mr. Wei Tat, B.A., on "Taoism, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8 p.m.
"Cheer O' Y.M.C.A.—Men's Meeting, 7.45 p.m.
After Dinner Dance, at Lee Gardens.
Queen's Theatre: "The Waning Sex."
World Theatre: "Lovers in Quarantine" (8.15 p.m. and 9.20 p.m.); Chinese Dance, "Mother's Heart" (2.30 p.m. and 7.15 p.m.).
Star Theatre: "A Social Celebrity" (8.30 to 8.30 p.m.); The New "Our Cabaret" present "Here and There," 9.15 p.m.

Monday.

Golf: Dogey Pool, Fanning.
Criminal Sessions Open, Supreme Court.
Extraordinary General Meeting China Underwriters, Ltd., St. George's Building, noon.
Interport Cricket: Shanghai v. Hong Kong, H.K.C.C. ground (second day).
Extraordinary General Meeting Prince's Building and Land Co., Ltd., Prince's Building, 4.15 p.m.
Yachting:—Ladies: 1st Championship Race.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward, Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30—6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 4.30—6.30 p.m.
Steel and Coulson's Billiard League: Queen's v. D.R.C.; Police v. Warders.
Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
H.K. Male Voice Choir rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.20 p.m.
Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club present "Bulldog Drummond," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Waning Sex."

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POLICE RECRUIT SENT TO GAOL.

WANTED TO GET AWAY FROM THE FORCE.

An Indian constable named Abdul Majed, a recruit at the Police Training School, was charged before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday with refusing to do defaulter's drill.

According to a statement made by Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (Deputy Superintendent of Police), the defendant had to fall in for defaulter's drill along with others before Sergeant Fell, but refused to carry out his drill. Sergeant Fell got in touch with Mr. Booth, to whom the defendant said that he ought to be fined and not made to drill. Mr. Booth gave the defendant a direct order to drill and he then did so.

Mr. Wodehouse said that the defendant was one of a number of recruits who gave trouble in an endeavour to get discharged from the Force, and he pressed for exemplary punishment.

Defendant made a long statement in which he said that the instructors at the school were no good as they could not distinguish the difference between raw and prepared opium.

His Worship sentenced defendant to four months' hard labour.

ATTEMPT TO REDUCE ALIMONY.

SHANGHAI DIVORCE CASE.

HUSBAND'S STORY OF DIFFICULT BUSINESS AND LITTLE MONEY.

In the United States Court for China on November 4th, the divorce action of May Mary Scott and John H. Scott again came before Judge M. D. Purdy on a motion by Mr. F. J. Schuhl, for Mr. Scott. Mr. P. F. Faison appeared for Mrs. Scott.

Mr. Schuhl reminded the Court that, a week before, on a motion by the other side, Mrs. Scott was allowed permanent alimony of \$33 a month, \$100 for attorney's fees, \$125 for maintenance of three children and costs in actions for the divorce. The defendant was not represented on that occasion because he, Mr. Schuhl, did not receive notice of the motion. Although, in certain circumstances, there might not be any objection to a modification of the interlocutory order, he contended that Mrs. Scott had been allowed more than was necessary for the children's expenses and he asked that the order be set aside until the defence received notice that an application would be made.

After some argument, the Judge said he was prepared to hear any evidence or argument with regard to a modification of the order.

Mr. Schuhl then called Mrs. Scott, who said that her step-father was the proprietor of Mactavish & Co. Witness now lived with her mother and worked in the Manila Hat Store, being paid \$50 per month. She paid \$30 per month for the maintenance and schooling of two children in a convent and the baby was kept at home. Witness did not pay anything for her room and board, her mother supporting her.

Cross-examined—Before she went to her mother, she was paying \$100 a month for herself and the three children. She still had to pay between \$30 and \$35 a month for the two elder children's clothes, in addition to the convent fees, and about \$15 a month for the baby's clothes. At the present time she was repaying a loan, and when that was finished she would pay her mother for her board and lodging. She estimated the cost of clothing herself at about \$30 a month. She had to pay \$30 a month for special food for the baby.

Defendant's Debts.

The defendant, in evidence, said that he had \$5 in a bank and he was about \$7,000 in debt. Since the divorce action, he had gained about \$1,000 some months, and in others had lost about \$2,000, and it worked out at an average loss of \$500 a month.

Cross-examined—He was proprietor of the Eldorado Café, off North Szechuen Road. He lost his other café as a consequence of the actions of his wife and her people, their efforts costing him \$15,000. He financed the Eldorado Café on \$1,400 borrowed capital and another man held the liquor-selling rights, paying witness a commission on sales. The restaurant part of the business was let to a caterer. Witness squared his accounts every night and, if he had not enough money to meet expenses, he went out and borrowed it, but it was becoming increasingly difficult to get money. He was in debt about \$1,400 over the Eldorado Café.

Answering the Judge, witness said that previously he was running the Lodge, but this had been taken from him by others. At one time he was agent for A. G. Spaulding's sporting goods, but lost the agency a year ago. He rented the Eldorado Café for \$1,500 a month and the taxes amounted to \$150. He also had to pay the Chinese police and the people employed in the café. He had from 15 to 25 dancing girls of all nationalities. Just after the café opened, he had to close it for six weeks on account of the troubles in Chinese territory, and in consequence he lost about \$1,000. He did not keep any books, but squared up every day.

The Judge said he considered the order was a very modest requirement. If the defendant had produced books to prove his statements, there might be a difference, but it was difficult to believe he had been losing so much when for many months he had been running a dance-hall in which there were employed so many girls. The order must stand.

BRITISH MALAYA.

COMMERCIAL VALUE TO U.S.A.

AMERICAN CONSUL'S ADVICE.

Pointing out in Commerce Reports that Singapore is rapidly growing in importance as a distributing point, not only for British Malaya but for all the East Indies, Siam and French Indo-China, and that British Malaya's general prosperity is well above the average, Mr. A. E. Southard, the United States Consul at Singapore, is not satisfied with the amount of American import business done in that region.

With the exception of automobiles and cigarettes, imports from the United States are, he says, far below what they should be in consideration of the fact that much of Malaya's prosperity is based on its exports to the United States. Imports of American goods into British Malaya in 1926 were valued at \$19,774,500 gold, compared with \$17,374,200 the previous year. Exports from British Malaya to the United States for the same years amounted to \$339,478,500 and \$263,188,500 gold, respectively.

Rubber and Tin.

More than half of the crude rubber and about half of the tin consumed in the United States is from British Malaya. From its position as the eighth supplier of American imports in 1924, British Malaya rose to fourth place in 1925, and for some time in 1926 it held first place. In the third quarter of the year, however, that position was yielded to Canada, and for the year as a whole British Malaya ranked third, after Japan. The decline was attributable to the drop in value of rubber, the quantity of which, however, exceeded that shipped from British Malaya to the United States in 1925.

Natural Preference For British Goods.

While these facts, together with the strategic position of Singapore as a trading point for the Far East, make the area one of very great commercial importance to the United States, Mr. Southard does not overlook the natural preference for British goods, and the fact that British concerns hold the agencies for most articles of foreign manufacture, which he says is especially true of American representation.

Giving some advice, therefore, to American firms entering the field, he urges direct representation, or barring this possibility that deliberate consideration and care be given to the placing and maintaining of agencies.—Singapore Free Press.

GOOD NEWS FOR THOSE TAKING LEAVE.

HOTTER SUMMER NEXT YEAR.

PROPHECY BY A FRENCH EXPERT.

PARIS, Oct. 21st.

The Abbé Gabriel, one of France's most famous meteorologists, predicts that this winter will be normal, with intermittent periods of cold weather and stormy days. He bases his prediction on a cycle system comprised of 744 years, and divided into two periods of 372 years. The cycle system, he declares, has been verified remarkably this year, the weather 372 years ago being very similar to what it was this year.

The Abbé states that this winter will be followed by a bright and hot summer, which again will be followed by severe cold in the winter of 1929-1930.—Central News.

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HEALTH OF EASTERN PORTS.

BULLETIN FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 12th.

Plague.
2 cases at Macassar (2 deaths).
Cholera.
2 deaths at Bombay.
17 deaths at Calcutta.
3 deaths at Madras.
10 deaths at Tuticorin.
4 deaths at Singapore.
2 deaths at Batavia.
6 cases at Canton (5 deaths).

Small-pox.
1 case at Bombay.
2 cases at Madras (1 death).
1 case at Rangoon.
10 cases at Tuticorin (1 death).
1 case at Colombo.
1 case at Singapore.
17 cases at Bandjermasin.
1 case at Samarinda.
2 cases at Kuching (1 death).

GLOBE-TROTTERS.

DICK NORTON BRINGING OUT NEW COMPANY.

DUE NEXT MONTH.

His many friends in Hong Kong and Kowloon will learn with much pleasure that Mr. Dick Norton, of the "Globe-Trotters" Vaudeville Company is at present in India en route for the Straits, Hong Kong and China.

Whilst retaining the title, "Globe-Trotters," with which his name has been associated for so many years, Mr. Norton is bringing out a complete and entirely new revue entitled "En Casserole." According to Indian papers to hand, Mr. Norton's company, which, with the exception of his ever-popular wife, Miss Lella Forbes, is not only a completely new one, but the largest he has ever toured in the Far East, is one of the best combinations of vaudeville talent seen in India for a long time. The Karachi Daily Gazette of September 30th concludes a long critique by observing: "It is doubtful if an audience at the Palace Theatre has ever been more thoroughly entertained than last night's audience was."

The new Company includes, in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Norton, the Misses Daphne de Lisle, Marion Hallwood, Gladys Linnell and Constance Garrett and Messrs. Arthur Ives, Leo Brooker, and Charles Pepper.

According to the press notices comedy appears to be the hallmark of the new company, a number of farcical burlesques being specially provocative of hilarity, whilst Mr. Charles Pepper, who specialises in songs at the piano, is described as a second Tom Clare.

TRADE WITH CHINA.

THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR'S SIMILE.

"The position of foreign traders in China reminds me of an incident outside St. James's Palace," said M. de Fleuriau, the French Ambassador, speaking on political and commercial relations in China at a luncheon of the London Commercial Club at the Trocadero.

"Between my car and a bus was a horseman on a very spirited horse. I did not envy him in the middle of numbers of noisy cars, but he was a very good horseman and came out of the trouble all right. I hope, and I am sure, that in time the foreign traders in China will be able to do the same."



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TROOPS BACK FROM CHINA

INFORMATION GIVEN BY AN OFFICER TO HOME PAPERS.

"NECESSARY NUISANCES AT HONG KONG BUT A HEARTY WELCOME AT SHANGHAI."

An article has appeared in the *Nottingham Daily Express* which will be read with amazement and indignation by residents in Hong Kong. It was reproduced in the *N.C. Daily News* and describes the return home of the first detachments of army reservists from China. In the course of an interview with the home paper's representative an officer, describing the treatment accorded to the troops in China by the British civil population, is reported to have said: "In Hong Kong we were looked upon as necessary nuisances, but in Shanghai it was different." Reference is made to a subscription list opened by Mrs. Luard (referred to as Lady Luard) and the statement is made that the Chinese actually subscribed three times as much as the British. It would be interesting to know the name of the officer with such peculiar views. As is well known and admitted Hong Kong has done its best to show that the troops were welcome and has done all in its power to make their stay here as pleasant as possible. The article is as follows:

The first detachment of Army Reservists from China arrived at King George's Dock, London, but were not allowed to land until the next morning.

"In Hong Kong we were looked upon as necessary nuisances, but in Shanghai it was different," said an officer in describing the treatment accorded to the troops in China by the civil population.

The men travelled in the transport *Hermes*, which left Shanghai on September 10th, calling en route at Malta to embark details from various regiments, including women and children. There were 720 troops on board.

The Next Detachment.

After an early breakfast the men were disembarked, and sent to their various depots for demobilisation.

"Conditions in Shanghai when we left were practically normal, except that no Chinese was allowed to pass inside if in possession of firearms, and that everybody was being examined by the patrols," said an officer to a Press representative.

He spoke highly of the qualities of the Chinese as soldiers, if properly led and trained. Unlike most Orientals they had a high sense of honour, but at present they were "a miserable rabble living mainly on loot."

The Generals' Methods.

Their generals did not pay them if they could possibly avoid it. The normal procedure of a Chinese general was to make his fortune as quickly as possible, and then to "retire," or, in other words, to decamp.

China was one of the most wonderful places for military service, but the climate was decidedly unhealthy. There had never been a

British garrison in Shanghai before, and there were no barracks nor facilities for troops. There were hardly any suitable camping places. Shanghai was composed to a great extent of marshy ground, similar to that seen at the mouth of the Thames, and the town was overcrowded.

Chinese Subscribers.

Asked for his opinion about the British residents the officer said: "In Hong Kong we were looked upon as necessary nuisances. Lady Luard, the wife of General Luard (presumably the reference is to Mrs. Luard, the wife of Major-General Luard), raised a subscription to entertain the troops, and the Chinese actually subscribed three times as much as the British. Possibly they thought themselves quite safe outside the danger zone, and that our presence overcrowded them. We were billeted in hotels and other places."

"In Shanghai, however, it was quite different. The British, French and American residents there did everything they could to make the 'Tommys' comfortable, and the British Women's Association ran the canteen."

Still Out There.

The regiments which are remaining in Shanghai are the Coldstream Guards, the Welsh, the Suffolk, the Borderers, the Bedfordshires and Hertfordshires, the Middlesex, the Yorkshires, the Royal Artillery and the Tank Corps.

In Hong Kong there are the Queen's, the Northants and the Scots Guards: while in Tientsin there is another battalion of the Border Regiment. The total number of troops left in China is about 8,000.

"There is no doubt," said the officer, "that the British Expeditionary Force saved Nanking." *Nottingham Daily Express.*

CHINESE IN AUSTRALIA.

BIG SMUGGLING PLOT.

HIDDEN IN BALLAST TANKS

SYDNEY, Oct. 21st.

Australian Customs officers have effectively checked what is alleged to be a widespread organisation for smuggling Chinese into this country. Last week there were thirty-one cases of suspected stowaways at Sydney on the Dutch steamer *Arendsker*, the captain of the vessel being fined \$900 for permitting nine to escape.

Fifty Chinese have been arrested on the Dutch steamer *Almeker*, at Fremantle. They were discovered in the water ballast tanks in the hold, where they had been temporarily secreted. It is remarkable that human beings could exist in such a confined place. When found some of the Chinese were unconscious, and others moaned in semi-delirium. Apparently they had been hidden in the hold until the ship was within a few hours of Fremantle, when they were placed in the tanks. Each compartment contained rice and boiled potatoes. Some of the Chinese stated that they were "shanghaied" at Rotterdam, and believed they were going to Singapore.

The Federal Government has ordered proceedings to be taken against the ship's captain. It is believed that the organisation for secreting the Chinese and landing them is directed from Sydney, and that it works in conjunction with the crews of vessels trading with Singapore.

INFORMATION ABOUT CHINA.

A NEW VENTURE IN LONDON.

INTERVIEW WITH ITS PROMOTER.

Mr. T. Idwal Vaughan, who recently retired from the Shanghai Municipal Police with the rank of Hon. Assistant Commissioner, has settled down at 72, Erpingham-road, Putney, S.W.15, and intends to devote his time to imparting to those in need of it first-hand information on matters pertaining to China. For this purpose he has established the Cathay (China) Information Bureau at the address mentioned.

In the course of an interview Mr. Vaughan said:—"A large number of British people leave these shores for China almost weekly, and it is surprising how many are unable to obtain first-hand information regarding that country. For several months prior to leaving the East I made it my business to meet new arrivals for the express purpose of ascertaining what information they had been able to obtain in Great Britain as to actual conditions in the Far East, and the reply invariably was, 'Very meagre' or 'None.' It is for this purpose principally, then, that I have opened my Information Bureau. There can be no excuse now for people going eleven thousand miles not knowing whether they go or of knowing something of what is before them. Before leaving Shanghai I obtained assurances from the National Societies, the British and Chinese Chambers of Commerce and others of their support and assistance, and there is no detail, whether commercial, social, or other, on which I shall not endeavour to satisfy my clients."

A DOLLAR A YEAR.

JUDGMENT IN MONEY-LENDER'S ACTION.

As a result of unfair dealing with his clients an Indian money-lender was censured at the Summary Court yesterday by the Puisse Judge (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood).

The plaintiff, Ghulla Singh, sued Mr. T. A. Nicholas, engineer of the *s.s. Haining*, and Mrs. L. Nicholas, of 81, Austin Road, Kowloon, first floor, for \$109 being money lent under a promissory note. Defendants were not present in Court.

Plaintiff told His Lordship that the claim was connected with a previous action against Mr. Nicholas only, when he believed that his claim was \$230. On the production of the original document by His Lordship, however, it was seen that the claim was for \$109 only.

Plaintiff "explained" the difference in the figure of \$109 and \$230 by stating that Mrs. Nicholas owed him \$90 under an I.O.O. In reply to further questions plaintiff failed to give satisfactory answers, but said that certain money had been repaid which reduced the claim to \$109.

His Lordship commented that plaintiff should deal fairly with people whom he sued, and added that he would give judgment for plaintiff, but would make an order for instalments in the defendants' favour. His Lordship entered judgment against the defendants for \$109, with costs, and each of the defendants would pay into Court one dollar each every year, the first payment to be made on June 1st next year.

ACCOUNTANT ROBS HIS EMPLOYERS.

CHINESE PLEADS GUILTY.

The accountant of the Mari Kwok Restaurant, West Point, pleaded guilty at the Central Magistracy yesterday to charges of falsifying the books to the extent of over \$5,000 and embezzling a further sum of \$8,558.69 from his employers.

On being asked by the Magistrate how he spent this money amounting to nearly \$14,000, the defendant said that he lost some of it in gambling.

The police explained that a draft on Shanghai for \$7,000 which the defendant had purchased with the money had not yet been cashed, and the Wing On Bank were arranging to have the first of exchange returned to Hong Kong. As regards the second of exchange, the police said that the defendant posted it to himself, care of a boarding house at Shanghai.

Sentence was deferred for one week.

ROULETTE.

CHINESE CALIFORNIAN CLUB RAIDED.

THIRTY-FIVE ARRESTED.

The Wo Sing Club, an institution for Chinese returned from California, at 234, Des Voeux Road Central, was raided by the Police on November 6th, when 33 men and two women were found playing roulette.

When the case was heard yesterday before Mr. E. E. Lindsay, only 14 men and one woman answered the charge. Those who did not appear had their bail estreated. After evidence had been heard, two of the defendants were discharged. The third defendant was fined \$25 and the 4th man \$50. The others had to pay \$5 each. The wheel and about \$70 found by the Police were ordered to be confiscated.

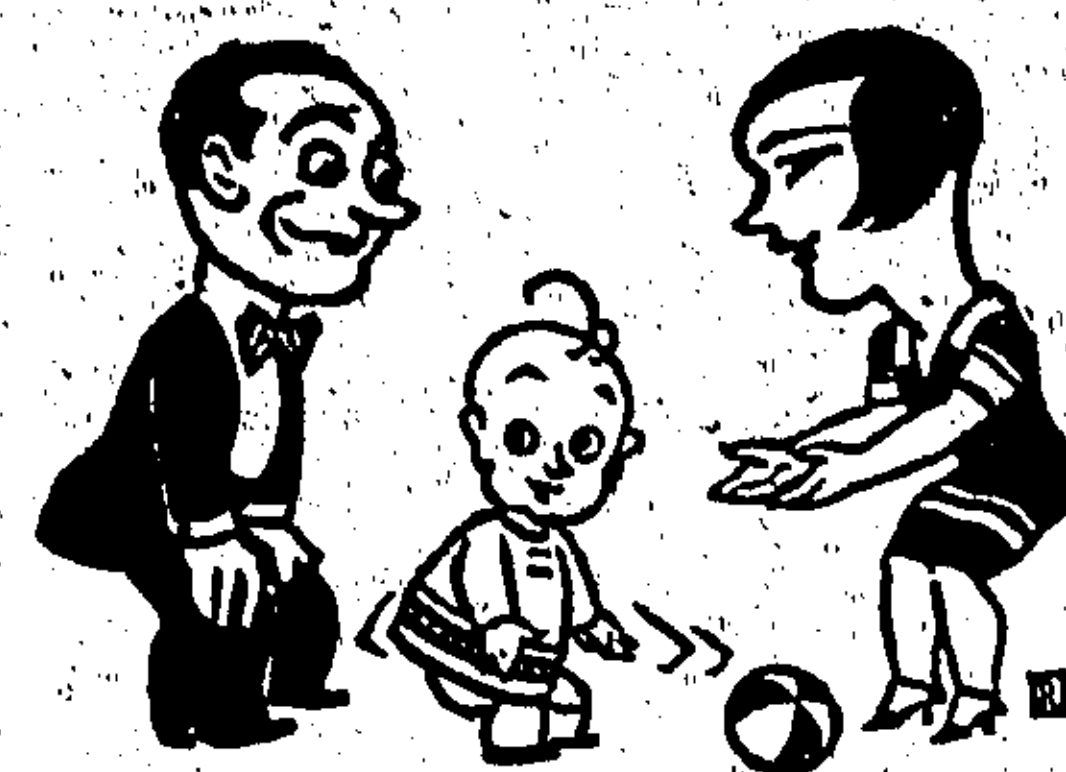
UNION CHURCH, KOWLOON.

THANKSGIVING AND REDEDICATION SERVICES.

Annual services of thanksgiving and rededication in connection with the Union Church, Kowloon, will be held to-morrow. The Pastor (the Rev. J. Horace Johnston) will be assisted at the morning service by the Rev. Frank Short, and at the evening service there will be special music by a Male Voice Party conducted by Mr. Frank White. A solo, "Babylon," will also be given by Mr. Frank White.

In order to close the financial year without a deficit, an appeal is being made for a sum of \$900 in the special offertory. If the sum of \$900 is reached, a member has promised a further \$300 to enable the congregation to start the year with funds in hand.

On Sunday, November 27th, at 11 a.m., there will be a Sunday School rally to which the children will bring models and objects illustrating Bible lessons, and the attendance prizes for last session will be distributed.



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GENERAL WONG SHIU HUNG IN HONG KONG.

TRAVELS INCOGNITO ON THE "TAISHAN."

HIS INTERESTING CONVERSATION REGARDING EVENTS IN CANTON.

"IRONSIDES" SEIZE A MILLION DOLLARS FROM OPPONENTS.

The coup effected in Canton appears to be complete at the moment. The details tell a miserable story of treachery and intrigue. It is too early yet to say what the reaction will be or whether there will be any serious attempt at reprisals. The general fear, of course, is that this coup can only mean the beginning of fighting in many different parts of the province. General Li Tsai Hsin's troops were not in great strength in Canton city, but they are more numerous on the West and North rivers and in Swatow. It seems incredible that they will accept defeat so quickly, but past events in China have shown how impossible it is to secure loyalty to a central command and it is difficult to estimate the influence that the expenditure of a few thousand dollars may have. It is already reported that \$80,000 have been sent to encourage General Ho Lung to attack General Li Tsai Hsin's supporters in Swatow.

An amusing story is told of General Wong Shiu Hung's flight to Hong Kong in something approaching disguise. It is impossible to vouch for the entire accuracy of all the details but the report is furnished from a reliable source. It is said that the General, who was unknown, of course, to any of his fellow passengers, took a lively part in the conversation in the saloon of the *Taihsan*. He must be a gentleman of considerable humour to discuss his own capture and the disarming of his own men in such circumstances. It is reported that General Chang Fat Fui is still in the Colony. A meeting between the two might have unexpected developments.

It is learned that General Wong Shiu Hung came to Hong Kong with his family by the *Taihsan* on Thursday. Upon arrival he went to the King Edward Hotel where he stayed for the night.

He boarded the *Taihsan* from a small steamer and was dressed in the ordinary Chinese short jacket. As he had shaved off his beard he passed unrecognised. He travelled first class and had his meals in the dining room where he joined freely in the conversation which was concerned chiefly with the disarming of Wong Shiu Hung's troops. It would have been very interesting to have heard his real views on the subject, but naturally he did not disclose his identity. There were many other Kwangsi officials on the same boat.

According to the story of one of the military officers under General Wong Kie Cheung, who was chiefly responsible for the coup, General Li Tsai Hsin, before he left for Shanghai, gave orders to General Wong Shiu Hung to strip the "Ironsides" of their power. Hearing of this the "Ironsides" decided to take the first move by disarming the Kwangsi troops. It is impossible, of course, to say what truth there is in this version of the affair, but on the face of it, it appears to be a fabrication. It is probably merely an attempt to find some excuse for the revolt.

MONEY AND RIFLES CAPTURED.

During the raid on General Chan Chai Tong's headquarters, three pieces of artillery, 1,600 rifles and \$150,000 in Canton notes were found. It was stated that the rifles and money were intended for General Chan's troops at Swatow.

At General Li Tsai Hsin's headquarters a safe was forced open and \$800,000 in Canton bank notes, intended for the payment of troops, was taken.

ARSENAL AND WHAMPOA.

On Thursday morning General Sit Ngok captured the Canton Arsenal at Shek Cheng where two battalions of troops, under General Chan Chai Tong, were disarmed after some resistance. It is believed that most of the casualties occurred here as members of the Red Cross were told off for duty at the Arsenal at mid-day.

Troops from the 10th Division of the Ironsides were sent on gunboats to take control of the Military Academy at Whampoa. Soldiers of the same division were also sent to disarm the troops in charge of the forts at Boca Tigris but the result is at present unknown.

Fung Shiu Ming, the head of the Canton Navy, and a supporter of General Li Tsai Hsin has sent the gunboats *Kwang Kwang*, *Kwang Yam*, *Kong Koo*, *Kong Hung* and *Kong Tai* to Shuangling on the West River to prevent them from falling into the hands of the Ironsides.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST REPRISALS.

The troops of Generals Wong Shiu Hung and Li Tsai Hsin were not in great strength in Canton and could, therefore, offer little resistance when taken by surprise. The major portion of their armies is on the North and West Rivers and in Swatow. Fearing that they would fight their way back to Canton, General Wong Kie Cheung has asked Generals Fan Shek Sang and Fong Ting Ying to attack the Kwangsi troops on the North River, co-operating with General Li Fuk Lam.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

PRESENT POSITION.

POLITICAL AND MILITARY.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

It is generally believed among the Southern Chinese that the coup d'etat in Canton will plunge the Province into another period of chaos. The present situation in Canton is this: The militarists of the left wing, for a time accused of being "Reds," have succeeded in ousting some of the followers of the Kwangsi group—in Kwangtung and Kwangsi General Li Tsai Hsin and General Wong Shiu Hung have been openly regarded as the chiefs. Whether or not the left wing—politically acknowledging Mr. Wang Ching Wei and militarily General Chang Fat Fui as leaders—will be able to hold the City and the Province against the followings of the Kwangsi warlords is still a question. The Kwangsi strength consists of most of the troops in Kwangsi Province intact—the 6,000 to 7,000, cadets at Whampoa, and the mercenaries under Fan Shek Shang, Chien Ta Chun, and others scattered all over the districts of Kwangtung. Moreover, the Nanking regime is opposed to the left wing and Mr. Wang Ching Wei. Nanking is now in the ascendant through its defeat of the Hankow faction. Unless the Nanking influence extending to Hankow can be checked in time, Canton will have to remain alone. The left wing will be opposed not only by the Kwangsi group but also by the West Hill, or Si Shan, faction now backing Nanking. Nanking does not wish to see Canton establishing a separate government and claiming to speak for the Kuomintang and the Nationalist Government. Not all the Cantonese are for the "Canton for the Cantonese" movement. It is feared, as many Cantonese do not recognise Mr. Wang Ching Wei as General Chang Fat Fui's spokesman for their fellow provincials.

LABOUR ACTIVITY.

The Kuomintang Workers' Delegate Conference in Canton, presided by the Canton Authorities when General Li Tsai Hsin was in power in Canton, reasserted itself yesterday, and consequently, the Central Labour Union officials saw fit to absent themselves from the headquarters at the same time. The troops now in Canton City have suggested that General Chang Fat Fui should be named Chairman of the Military Council during the absence of General Li Tsai Hsin. So far no official action has been taken to question the authority of General Li Tsai Hsin, however; and in outward appearance, General Li is still regarded as the permanent Chairman.

The labour unions, as directed, have despatched messages to Shanghai inviting General Chiang Kai Shek and Mr. Wang Ching Wei to return to Canton to hold the fourth conference of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang.

Some 33 houses were burned at Tai Hong Road, Canton, last Thursday afternoon, and it is feared that some politico-military motive was behind the disaster.

"Reds" in Hoyun, on the Eastern Districts of Kwangtung, according to reports just received, raided the district government seat several days ago, and caused destruction to property worth \$600,000 or more besides killing some 60 and taking 250 persons of both sexes for ransom.

Kuomintang women in Canton have wired to Mrs. Sun Yat Sen now in Russia to return to Canton at once to direct the political movement in the interest of their section.

Chinese Press telegrams yesterday reported the safe arrivals of Mr. Wang Ching Wei and General Li Tsai Hsin at Shanghai yesterday morning by the *s.s. Empress of Asia*. Nothing was said of Chang Fat Fui being in the party. General Chang's close friends stated that he was going with General Li and Mr. Wang, but there is now a report current that General Chang did not sail at the last moment and is still in Hong Kong. This seems somewhat strange, as Canton Press makes it appear that he is now abroad and not so close to Canton as Hong Kong.

ADVICE TO MERCHANTS.

Generals Wong Kie Cheung, Li Fuk Lam and Sit Ngok, who were responsible for replacing the military dominance over Canton City of the Kwangsi group with their own following, have addressed a joint letter to the General Chamber of Commerce, assuring the Canton merchants of their intention to protect their interest and advising all trade and manufacturing be continued as usual. The officers of the Chamber are wondering when the next letter will be received calling upon them to raise a loan for immediate military expenses.

The casualties on Thursday among the combatants were, according to official reports, 14 killed and 10 seriously wounded. The list of deaths and wounded among non-combatants is much longer. Some fighting has also taken place in the outskirts of the City.

REUTER'S REPORT.

From a semi-official source at Canton Reuter's correspondent at Hong Kong received the following communication under Thursday's date:

"The people in Canton awoke this morning in fear as rifle shooting was heard from 4 to 6 a.m. in different places. There were rumours that Labour Unions had quarrelled among themselves. At dawn troops were seen marching through the main streets in the direction of strategic points. Pedestrians were stopped and searched at these points for nearly an hour, free traffic being restricted thereafter. Policemen on patrol duty do not appear to know what exactly was taking place, but those proceeding on duty at 8 a.m. were seen to wear white armlets. At this stage the situation took an alarming aspect as the wearing of these armlets usually denotes armed conflicts between troops garrisoning the same places. Soldiers were also seen to wear the same armlets.

"From what could be gathered from well-informed persons outside the official circle no member of the Headquarters staff dared cross the river from Canton to the Cement Factory at Honam, where the presence of two Kwangsi regiments was reported.

"In public places copies of a proclamation were placarded. From this proclamation it was learned that the three Generals, Wong Kie Cheung, right-hand man of General Chang Fat Fui, Sit Ngok and Li Fuk Lam, declared war against those who had forced Wang Ching Wei to return to Shanghai and interfered with General Li Tsai Hsin's work.

"There was no street fighting and no more rifle-firing was heard after dawn.

"The situation remains obscure and confused.

"Is this movement the starting point against the Kwangsi Party? It is generally affirmed that General Wong Kie Cheung is opposed to the Kwangsi General Wong Shiu Hung but why General Li Fuk Lam should have associated himself with General Wong remains a puzzle.

"Li Fuk Lam was commanded to send his army against the North and cannot disobey. Is his present attitude in direct opposition to this order?

"The most interesting point is that the trouble started immediately after General Li Tsai Hsin's departure for Shanghai. It may be asked, to what extent is support being given to, or opposition shown against, General Li by these three Generals who have taken upon themselves to issue proclamations? Has General Li Tsai Hsin judged the attitude of General Wong unfavourably to his own plan and asked his supporters to take action against Wong in Li's absence? On the other hand, has General Li Tsai Hsin been victimised by Wang Ching Wei who might have suggested the rising against Li? Again, is not this outbreak the outcome of a localised quarrel between rival Generals who seek to settle their differences when the supreme head is away?

"A report is in circulation that an affray has taken place among several officials and that a disturbance has occurred in the Yamen, but no confirmation of these rumours is so far obtainable.

A LOST COAT.

INDIAN WARDEN'S COMPLAINT.

POLICE CONSTABLES CHARGED.

An Indian warden, a Police sergeant, two constables and a goat were concerned in a court case heard yesterday at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. W. Schofield.

Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask appeared for the Indian warden and Mr. L. R. Andrews for the three Indians of the Police Department. Mr. C. G. Perdue watched the case on behalf of the Police.

It appeared that Indian warden had a goat which he kept at the Laichikok Prison. This goat was purchased about 18 months ago, and the owner had become very fond of the animal. On September 13th it disappeared, and the owner, thinking that she must have set out to find its mate, did not trouble much over it. But some time later the fickle Nanny was seen in the company of the three defendants. The irate owner demanded to have the animal returned to him and as it was not forthcoming, the matter was taken before the heads of the two different departments of the Government service. It was at the suggestion of the Superintendent of the Gaol and the Police Superintendent that the case was taken to Court.

The case was adjourned.

A PERSONAL ACCOUNT.

INTERVIEW WITH LI TSAI Hsin's OFFICER.

PRIVATE QUARRELS.

THE WHITE BANDS.

When the *s.s. Lungshan* arrived here from Canton last night shortly after 8 o'clock, a captain in an infantry battalion of General Li Tsai Hsin's army was among the passengers.

A *Daily Press* representative interviewed him at the house where he stayed and asked for information regarding the situation in Canton. The Captain, who is proceeding to the West River to-day, could not speak Cantonese, but spoke the Mandarin dialect fluently. Our representative conversed with him for fully an hour.

A Trap Laid.

The Captain said that he had been authoritatively informed by officers of Wong Kie Cheung after the coup that the fight was not directed against General Li Tsai Hsin or his men. It was a personal quarrel between Wong Kie Cheung and General Wong Shiu Hung.

It appeared that the "Ironsides" had their plans well prepared and were only waiting for the departure of General Li Tsai Hsin. On Wednesday night the trap was laid for General Wong Shiu Hung. A telephonic message was sent to him asking him to proceed to his old residence at once. General Wong Shiu Hung went and on arrival here, a party of "Ironsides" opened fire on his body-guards. Four were killed and the rest disarmed. General Wong Shiu Hung was made a prisoner. He was conducted to a place of safety, and a proclamation was posted throughout the City by Wong Kie Cheung announcing his capture.

This boast of Wong Kie Cheung was premature, however, for General Shiu Hung was in captivity for less than three hours. It was stated that he "bought" the guards over and was allowed to make good his escape to Hong Kong by the *Taihsan* on Thursday night.

Every one in Canton yesterday was wearing white arm-bands, even the policemen, to show that they are in sympathy with the victors Wong Kie Cheung. The Captain said that in Canton there are over 20,000 men of General Li Tsai Hsin's army and they had not been disarmed, for they are on the outskirts of the city. Whether or not these men will allow matters to remain as they are has to be seen. But the Captain was inclined to believe that more trouble would be seen in a day or two.

"LUNGSHAN'S" RECORD RUN.

HEAVY CARGO.

"PAUL BEAU" FIRED UPON.

Leaving here on Thursday at midnight, the Steamboat Company's *Lungshan* made a record run to Canton. She arrived at the wharf at Canton at 6.30 (arrival earlier is not allowed) and a considerable time ahead of the *Paul Beau* and the *Tung On*.

Last evening she returned to Hong Kong with a very heavy cargo and a full passenger list.

On the way to Canton the *Lungshan* proceeded by the back reach. The *Paul Beau* and the *Tung On* chose the front. When near Whampoa, however, the *Paul Beau* which was some distance ahead was fired upon, and the *Tung On*, noticing this, turned back and followed the *Lungshan*. It is not known whether there were any casualties on the *Paul Beau* as the result of the shooting.

The *Lungshan* brought down a number of officials from Canton some of whom were met by a launch here. A considerable number of army officers and others in Canton, it is stated, are coming to Hong Kong now by every boat.

CORRESPONDENCE.

RE—THE WING ON CASE. REX v. F. CHAN.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—Having regard to the publicity given in the Press to the Magisterial proceedings which terminated in the commitment of the defendant for trial at the Sessions, we are instructed to inform you that we have been notified by the Crown Solicitor that the Hon. the Attorney-General proposes to file a *nolle prosequi*, which, of course, has the effect of putting an end to the prosecution.—Yours faithfully, LO & LO.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, CHATEL ROAD, VICTORIA, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on MONDAY, THE TWENTY-FIRST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1927, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, for the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, approving the draft New Memorandum of Association of the Company which will be submitted to the Meeting. A Print of such draft New Memorandum of Association and a Print of the Existing Memorandum of Association of the Company may be seen at the Company's Registered Office, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, CHATEL ROAD, VICTORIA, and a comparison of the Print of the Existing Memorandum of Association with the Print of the draft New Memorandum of Association will show wherein the draft New Memorandum of Association differs from the Existing Memorandum of Association. Should the Meeting approve of such New Memorandum of Association with or without modification, the Sub-joined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

(1) That the provisions of the Company's Memorandum of Association with respect to its objects be altered so as to read as shown in the Print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting, and also for the following purposes, viz:—

For the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, approving the draft New Articles of the Company which will be submitted to the Meeting. A Print of such New Articles and a Print of the Existing Articles may be seen at the Company's Registered Office, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, CHATEL ROAD, VICTORIA, and a comparison of the Print of the Existing Articles with the Print of the draft New Articles will show wherein the draft New Articles differ from the Existing Articles. Should the Meeting approve of such New Articles with or without modification, the Sub-joined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

(2) That the New Articles of Association already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification, subscribed by the Chairman thereof be, and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the Existing Articles thereof, and also for the following purposes, viz:—

For the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, approving the draft New General Agents' Agreement between the Company of the one part and Messrs. SHEWAN TOMES AND COMPANY of the other part. A Copy of the proposed General Agents' Agreement may be seen at the Company's Registered Office, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, CHATEL ROAD, VICTORIA, and a comparison of the Print of the Existing General Agents' Agreement with the Print of the draft New General Agents' Agreement will show wherein the draft New General Agents' Agreement differs from the Existing General Agents' Agreement. Should the Meeting approve of such proposed General Agents' Agreement with or without modification, the Sub-joined Resolution will be proposed as an Ordinary Resolution, viz:—

(3) That the proposed General Agents' Agreement already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification, subscribed by the Chairman thereof be, and the same is hereby adopted by the Company and the Board of Directors are hereby authorised to attach to such Agreement the Common Seal of the Company and to execute the same in pursuance of the Articles of Association of the Company, and also for the following purposes, viz:—

For the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, passing the following further Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

(4) That the Capital of the Company be increased by the creation of Fifteen Fully Paid Up Shares of \$1,000 each and that the Rights Privileges and Conditions following be attached thereto, that is to say:—

(a) The said Fifteen Shares shall be called "Founders' Shares" and shall be issued in accordance with Clause 15 of the General Agents' Agreement referred to in Resolution No. 3 hereof.

(b) That each Founders' Share shall carry with it the following Rights:—

(1) To receive by way of Dividend One/Nineteenth part of the total amount declared divisible by way of Profits to the Shareholders.

(2) Shall make as equivalent for Voting Power to 1,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company.

(3) Shall in the event of the Company being wound up and the Ordinary Shareholders ceasing to retain any interest directly or indirectly in the business of the Company, in any manner whatsoever as a going concern be entitled after payment to the Ordinary Shareholders of the Fully Paid Up value of their Shares (but without prejudice in any way to the Rights of the dissentient Shareholders under Section 186 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 which dissentient Shareholders shall include the Holders of Founders' Shares if they do dissent) to have equally distributed amongst them the sum of \$150,000 or such lesser sum as may remain over after making the aforesaid payments and after making the aforesaid payments there shall still be a surplus for distribution then One Share of such surplus shall be equally distributed amongst them and the balance paid to the Ordinary Shareholders.

INTIMATIONS.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, CHATEL ROAD, VICTORIA, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, THE NINTH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1927, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as Special Resolutions Nos. 1, 4 and 5.

Should the above Resolution No. 1 be confirmed as a Special Resolution by the requisite majority the alterations in the Company's Memorandum of Association consequently involved will be submitted to the SUPREME COURT of HONG KONG for confirmation.

Dated this Fifth day of October, 1927.

SHEWAN, TOMES & COMPANY,
General Managers. [5418]

HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above Society will be held on TUESDAY, 29th NOVEMBER, 1927, at 8.15 P.M., in the Board Room of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. LTD.

All Ladies and Gentlemen interested in Horticulture, whether Members of the Society or not, are cordially invited to attend.

AGENDA.

To receive and pass the Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts for the period ended 30th June, 1927.

To elect Officers and a New Committee for the Current Year.

To fix the Date of the Annual Flower Show.

To discuss any matter of interest to Horticulturists in Hong Kong and Outlying Districts.

E. B. C. HORNELL,
Hon. Secretary,
Hong Kong, 5th Nov. 1927. [5503]

FANLING HUNT.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the AUTUMN MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 26th DECEMBER, 1927 (Weather Permitting), may be obtained from Dr. F. FRANCES GARDNER, The Polo Club, Horse Race Club and CAUSEWAY BAY STABLES.

Entries will CLOSE at NOON, SATURDAY, 19th NOVEMBER, 1927. [5518]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION
Action No. 581 of 1925.

BETWEEN
WING FAT HONG, Plaintiff
AND
KUNG CHUNG BANK
AND
LAU YIK CHEUK
the Managing Partner thereof, Defendants.

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AMERICA AND WORLD
POLITICS.

In his recent lecture at Hong Kong University Professor WENZEL expressed the opinion that America's attitude of indifference both to the League of Nations and to European affairs in general was being rapidly modified. Washington was co-operating in many minor matters with Geneva, whereas not so very long ago the American Government refused even to recognise officially the existence of the League of Nations. From a wide experience of the United States the Professor was able to state that educated American opinion now took the deepest interest in world affairs

and saw that any policy of isolation, economically and politically, was not only detrimental to United States interests but impracticable under present day conditions.

This opinion has received striking confirmation in the recent proceedings, briefly reported by cable, of the International Goodwill Congress being held at St. Louis. Mr. NEWTON BAKER, the Ex-Secretary of War, who held office during the crucial years of the Great War, and directed the immense mobilisation of America's manhood and wealth, brought forward three proposals of the very greatest importance. The first suggested that America should bind herself not to trade with any belligerent nation declared by the League of Nations to be the aggressor. This, if adopted by the Government and carried out in the spirit as well as in the letter of the agreement, would be a big step towards both the prevention of war, and its curtailment in the event of a struggle breaking out. Wars in the past have been indefinitely prolonged by the belligerents obtaining supplies from neutral sources. Trading with combatants is always a lucrative proposition, and no maritime nation has an entirely clear record in this respect. Undoubtedly the Great War was lengthened by the war materials which Germany received via the neutral powers on her borders. The whole question of blockade in war time is a very thorny one, only capable of being reduced to legal definition and regulation by peace time negotiation and the surrender by powerful nations of a great source of potential profit.

Mr. BAKER's second proposal was America's adherence to the present International Court of Justice. With the increasing economic unity of the world an international court for the settlement of matters of varying degrees of importance that need an umpire's decision becomes a necessity as great as each country's national law courts. Only an international court can deal with many points relating to aviation, shipping, and the prevention of certain forms of criminal activity. No international court is complete without America's adherence, and that now at work would gain immeasurably in prestige and authority by the presence of American jurists backed by the authority of Washington.

Finally it was urged that America should negotiate a series of treaties, somewhat on the lines of the Locarno Treaty, pledging peace between herself and a number of leading powers. There is all the difference in the world between the resolutions of an unofficial congress, however influential, and the accomplished policy of a Government. Such drastic modifications of America's present policy, could, owing to the nature of her constitution, be undertaken but slowly, but the fact that there is a current of opinion setting in such a direction is encouraging. America's co-operation is a vital need in world politics to-day. The lack of it leads to misunderstanding, popular recrimination and mistrust. America still feels the disillusionment of the peace that rejected the ideals of President WILSON. The reaction under his successor is by no means worked out. But the hard facts of modern conditions have already brought about some degree of co-operation with the League of Nations, and the Naval Conference, for all its failure, marked a further modification of her isolation. The process is bound to be slow, and it will be the surer if built stage by stage upon the requirements of the situation. America has no wish for entanglement in the maze of European politics, but there are wider problems in whose solution America, it is hoped, will bear an increasingly important part.

Entries close for Fanling Hunt Autumn Meeting to-day at noon.

There will be a sitting of the Bankruptcy Court this morning at 10.30.

There will be a meeting of the New Territories Agricultural Committee at Sheung Shui to-day, at 2.30 p.m.

A Chinese tailor, living at No. 2 Circular Pathway, reports that someone stole from the above address, a dark brown overcoat, valued at \$4.80.

Two Chinese cases and one Norwegian imported case of typhoid fever were reported to the Authorities during the 24 hours ended November 17th.

Among passengers who arrived by the s.s. *Saura Maru* from the North yesterday were Mr. Ho Ki, Mr. Ho Leung, Mr. W. S. King and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Priestley.

A Charity concert for Dr. Barnardo's Home is being given by St. Andrew's Troop of Boy Scouts at St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, this evening, beginning at 8.

Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club open their season at the Theatre Royal this evening, when they will present, at 8.15, "Bulldog Drummond." There will be performances each evening next week.

A 60-years-old Chinese received severe injuries to his head by falling in Catchick Street, Kennedy Town, on Thursday. The man became excited at the approach of a Sanitary dust cart and missed his footing on the pavement.

Alleged to have been concerned in the murder of the Chinese coolie, whose body was found in the harbour, a man was brought before the Central Magistrate yesterday and remanded for a week. Mr. H. L. Dennis appeared for the defence.

Miss Andrews, a nurse at the Government Civil Hospital, when walking with another lady near St. John's Cathedral at 6.15 p.m. on Thursday, had her handbag snatched by a Chinese who escaped in the direction of the Government offices. The bag contained a sum of \$18.

A paper on "Gas—its Distribution and Uses" was to have been read by Mr. A. Hevey, of the Hong Kong and China Gas Co., Ltd., at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong yesterday afternoon. This had to be unavoidably postponed to a date to be announced later.

The clever sketch "Honi Soit" was repeated last night at the Star Theatre by Mr. Charles Chamier's company of London artists, the "New Our Cabaret." There was a good audience. A complete change of programme will be presented to-night. "Our Cabaret" will terminate their season here on Monday night.

Rumours were current yesterday that a tiger had made its appearance on the hillside at Kowloon Tong. Several reports were made to the Police by farmers, who said that chicken and cattle had mysteriously disappeared, and one farmer stated that he had come across the marks of the animal's paw. The Police have seen no sign of the tiger.

H. Yato, a Japanese engineer, was fatally injured when he fell from the third floor of a house at Tai Yuen Street on Thursday evening. The man was alive when he was placed in an ambulance by the Wanchai police, but died on the way to hospital. Another fatality occurred at Taikoo, a dockyard worker being killed by falling from a stinging while engaged at work on a ship.

Mr. A. Nicol, of the P.W.D., had a complaint to make against certain people at the Central Magistracy yesterday. He said that the men were a nuisance on the Praya East Reclamation where they occupied valuable land without permission, attacked it with firewood, and finally put a tin roof over it. Two of the offenders who were brought to Court were fined \$5 each for trespassing on reclaimed land.

Home mail (letters only, dated London, October 20th) arrived from Home via Negapatam on the Blue Funnel liner *Patroclus* yesterday. The total mail was in 121 bags of which 33 were from the United Kingdom. There were 52 bags for Hong Kong. Papers of the same date arrive on Monday on the s.s. *Laiyang*. Mail also arrived from Europe via Siberia yesterday on the *Saura Maru*, totalling 43 bags of papers.

Among this term's "freshers" at Somerville College, Oxford, is Princess Noy, of Chandaburi, a niece of the King of Siam. Her father is Prince Kityakana, one of the king of Siam's four brothers, who form his governing council. The Princess, who is living in college, is Oxford's first Siamese "undergraduate." She is not taking the usual three years' course, but will specialise in history and other subjects.

Mr. H. T. Brooks and Mrs. H. T. Cressy, of Hong Kong have been elected fellows of the Royal Colonial Institute.

The late Sir Thomas Lyle, of Longfield, Kingswear, Devon, a former British Consul-General at Bangkok, left £21,931, net personally £19,941.

The late Mr. Charles Ford, I.S.O., F.L.S. (83), of Lindeth, Stanmore, Middlesex, retired superintendent of the Botanical and Afforestation Department, Hong Kong, left estate valued at £1,829.

Mr. Diamond, of the Hong Kong Hotel, residing at No. 24, Dundas Street, reported to the police last evening that someone stole an Elgin gold pocket watch, valued at \$60, and a pair of brown boots valued at \$2.

Seventeen British soldiers of the Defence Force in China, recuperating at Shaughnessy Heights Military Hospital, Vancouver, express themselves as delighted at getting away from a "war" where their chief duty is "turning the other cheek."

A Chinese young man, alias Yau Bei Chai, aged about 17 years, is wanted by the police in connection with a stabbing and wounding incident which occurred at Wanchai last night. He is described as being dressed in black cotton clothing with his hair cut short. He is a native of San Wui. Details of the stabbing affair were not available.

It was alleged against a Chinese carpenter at the Tung Tai Tsung shop, at Whitfield Road, when he was brought before the Central Magistrate yesterday on a charge of theft of eight pieces of wood, that he removed the plants in a box which he was asked to deliver on board a steamer. The case was adjourned until noon on November 22nd.

Passengers arriving yesterday on the Blue Funnel liner s.s. *Patroclus* from Home included Mr. T. G. T. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bowes Smith, Miss M. B. Bowes Smith, Miss E. K. Butler, Mr. R. A. L. Donaldson, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Johnson, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. and Miss Owen Hughes, Lady Stuart Taylor, Miss L. E. Stuart Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Eustace, Mr. R. B. Lewis and Miss G. H. Brodie.

The enquiry into the death of a Chinese woman who jumped from the third floor window of No. 74, Cross Street, during a police raid, was concluded before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday. The jury returned a verdict that the woman preferred to take her own life rather than undergo arrest, and added that they did not consider blame could be attached to anyone.

WEATHER REPORT.
FRESH AND FAIR.

Last night's weather report, issued from the Observatory at 6.35, stated:—

The anti-cyclone has moved eastward and is now central between Shanghai and S.W. Japan. Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected over the China Sea.

Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh to moderate, fair.

TWEEDLEDEE TO TWEEDLEDAM.

Dear Tweedledam,—Orthography,
As dealt with in anobography,
Takes "others" as synonymous with "all,"
But, meaning "All that Mattered,"
Such terms may well be shattered
To raise a figure obstinately small.

In gatherings exclusive
Both phrases are elusive
But, if well learnt, save falls to those who climb;
Hear how a lady gentle
A crime most monumental
Committed, somewhere once upon a time!

From Home arriving gaily,
She gathered round her daily
Some pleasant, kindly friends whose presence cheered;
But wait! This tale domestic
Holds moral stern, majestic,
For, breathing scorn, her Nemesis appeared.

One of The Great, far better
Acquainted with the latter
Of Social Life (caps, please!) than she, the dunce!—
"My dear, how weird and awful!"
Yes, yes! Quite good and lawful!
But, all the wrong set! Drop them, dear, at once!"

Another point instructive
I find, and thought productive—
When themes such as logomachy are raised,
To see terms benighted,
With adjective prolific
Run riot, till the common mind is dazed.

For bread when cast discreetly
On waters which we neatly
Assume are not averse to tempting bait,
With treasured prize returning,
Shows that, a mind discerning
Knows flattery's achievements soon or late!

Now Tweedledam, I fancy
That more than necromancy
Were ours to set aside with surety,
Though thirst for truth be parching,
That query, "Whither, Marching?"
What think you?—Thine to cinders—

TWEEDLEDEE.

MORRISON HILL
TAKES TOLL.EARTH COOLIE CRUSHED
TO DEATH.

YESTERDAY'S ACCIDENT.

Another death has to be added to the toll at Morrison Hill, near Happy Valley, where coolies are engaged in the work of cutting down the hill to provide material for the Praya East reclamation.

At 1.30 yesterday afternoon, a boulder weighing about a quarter of a ton suddenly rolled down the cutting opposite the Police Recreation Club and struck a coolie, killing him on the spot. Apart from other injuries, the man's right leg was smashed to pulp.

Two clans, Hokies and Puntis, were at work on the bottom and top of the hill at the time. Immediately after the accident members of the clan to which the deceased belonged were roused to anger at what they considered was a willful act on the part of the other clan in loosening the rock without giving warning. Armed with boring tools, bamboo poles and other weapons, the bottom gang climbed the hill and engaged in a fight. The police arrived just in time to avert a very serious situation which was arising with each side increasing in strength every minute. Several men on the top of the hill attempted to run away from the attackers and one of them who came down to the road had a rough time at the hands of a man with a bamboo pole.

With good sense prevailing once more, the body of the coolie killed by the boulder was removed to the mortuary.

STABBING AFFRAY AT
WANCHAI.

ASSAILANT GETS AWAY.

At 8 o'clock yesterday evening, in the crowded part of Wanchai Road, a coolie was stabbed in the back and the assailant got away. The injured man was taken in hand by the police and sent to the Government Civil Hospital. It is believed that the wound is not of a very serious nature.

The motive for the attack is attributed to revenge. The assailant was recognised by the injured man before he escaped.

INDIAN OFFICER'S ESTATE.

\$1,300 IN HONG KONG.

It will be recalled that at the end of June Jemadar Gurmukh Singh, of the Indian Supply Transport, was found dead in bed on the verandah of his quarters at Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon.

The discovery was made by an orderly who went to the officer's quarters at 5.45 a.m. on June 25th, and an examination showed that the officer had been shot.

Letters of administration have now been granted in respect of the deceased officer's Hong Kong estate to Mr. H. A. Nisbet, the Official Administrator. Local estate is valued at \$1,300.

GENERAL HO CHIEN THROWS IN HIS LOT WITH NANKING.

CONCENTRATES HIS ARMY AT YOCHOW PENDING NANKING GOVERNMENT'S ORDERS.

ANOTHER VICTORY CLAIMED FOR MARSHAL FENG'S TROOPS.

BRITISH TROOPS RELIEVING MARINES AT NANKING. NONE PROCEEDING TO HANKOW.

SHANTUNG ARMY FALLS BACK TO DEFEND TSINANFU AND DISTRICT.

The British troops who embarked in H.M.S. *Indefatigable* at Shanghai had Nanking and not Hankow as their destination. The troops comprised a machine-gun section and a company of the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment. They are relieving British marines at Nanking.

General Ho Chien, who was in command of the Wuhan troops at the time of General Tang Seng Chi's abrupt departure for Japan, has thrown in his lot with the victorious Nanking Government, and is stated to be awaiting their orders at Yochow, a Yangtze port.

Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang claims to have captured Tsining (Shantung) and to have "pushed back" the Northerners to Yenchow, south of Tsinanfu.

One of the local vernacular newspapers reports that Marshal Chiang Kai Shek is busy with arrangements for his forthcoming marriage to Miss Mei Ling Soong. It is added that "he may not be able to proceed to Nanking to attend to military affairs."

NANKING AND PEKING CLAIMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Nov. 18th. While Nanking messages state that Feng Yu Hsiang claims to have captured Tsining, Peking telegraphs that the Chihli-Shantung troops reported that they have carried an enveloping movement at Kweichow, as a result of which they have established themselves on Lungshai to the west of Kweichow, cutting off the Kuomintang Garrison.

Another force of Chihli Shantung troops officially claim to have captured 2,500 Kuomintang troops at Kweichow to the north-east of Kweichow.

BRITISH TROOPS ON THE YANGTZE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Nov. 17th. No official announcement has been made regarding the despatch of British troops to the Upper Yangtze, and this has resulted in all sorts of rumour as to the object of the move.

It is clear, however, that it is a purely precautionary measure. As there is no longer a British concession at Hankow, it is assumed that the troops, if landed, will be quartered in British property in the former concession for defensive purposes.

The small number of troops disposes of any idea of aggressive intention. [We are authoritatively informed that in Shanghai as in Hong Kong it has been officially announced that the movement is merely one of routine, the troops proceeding to Nanking to relieve marines there.]

It now transpires that the Beds and Herts who are aboard the *Indefatigable* will relieve the marines at Nanking.

They will occupy the same British premises which the marines have been occupying.

No troops have gone to Hankow, where the situation to-day is reported to be fairly quiet.

HANKOW CONCESSION.

QUESTION ASKED IN THE COMMONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 17th. In the House of Commons, Sir Kinloch Cooke drew attention to the situation at Hankow, and asked whether the Government would consider taking back the concession, in view of the agreement with British being broken.

Mr. G. Locker-Lampson replied that nothing had occurred to modify the principles laid down by Sir Austen Chamberlain on May 9th, and the Government did not intend to resume control of the concession unless this course was forced upon them.

GENERAL HO AND HIS FORMER CHIEF.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Nov. 18th. General Ho Chien, formerly General Tang Seng Chi's subordinate, has sent a representative to Nanking conveying to the Nanking leaders his position with regard to his relations with General Tang Seng Chi. He states that he has long harboured an unfavourable opinion with reference to General Tang.

General Ho is concentrating his army at Yochow pending the Nanking Government's order.

PIRACY PROBLEM OF SOUTH CHINA.

DISCLOSED BY MINISTERS IN PEKING.

SIR CECIL CLEMENTI AT THE CONFERENCES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, Nov. 18th. Sir Cecil Clementi discussed the piracy problem in South China waters with the British, Japanese, French and Italian Ministers and the American *Chargé d'Affaires* at two conferences on Wednesday. It is further understood that an agreement regarding suppressive measures was reached, the Ministers referring the proposals to their respective home Governments.

TO RELIEVE H.M.S. "HOLLYHOCK."

DATE OF H.M.S. "CORNFLOWER'S" DEPARTURE

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, November 18th. His Majesty's ship *Cornflower*, at present being repaired at Sheerness will leave for China on December 23rd. She will relieve the *Hollyhock*.

THE COAL DEBATE UPROAR.

A LESSON FOR THE LABOURITES.

MR. MACDONALD'S NEW MOTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 17th. In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Baldwin said that in view of yesterday's happenings, he was unable to afford a further opportunity for the discussion of the Labour Party motion of censure, regarding the Government's policy towards the coal industry.

Thereupon Mr. MacDonald gave notice of a new motion—protesting against the Premier deliberately evading defence and explanation of the Government's inaction over the serious situation in the coal industry.

[On Tuesday the debate on the coal industry had twice to be suspended owing to Opposition uproar demanding the Premier's appearance.]

THE DANGERS OF PROSPERITY.

SPEECH BY PRES. COOLIDGE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 17th. President Coolidge, who was the guest of honour at the Founder's Day dinner of the Union League (founded in Civil War time to promote pro-Lincoln policies), warned the country against the dangers of prosperity. He said that the doctrine of ease was the doctrine of surrender to decay.

He reviewed the nation's progress and justified the protective tariffs. He urged reasonable taxation to reduce the National Debt of \$18,000,000,000, but the financial situation was so good that they could consider the development of public works, including flood control. They could "round out" the Navy with more submarines and cruisers and encourage especially commercial aviation. He referred to foreign affairs and said that the United States was more than ever concerned in the foreign affairs of other nations.

TROOPS AT AMOY.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

AMOY, Nov. 17th. Transports conveying about 2,000 troops arrived at Amoy. The troops proceeded up country.

SHANGHAI, Nov. 17th. The situation is normal.

HANKOW, Nov. 17th. The Rear-Admiral of the Yangtze was visited by Rear-Admiral Chen on Thursday afternoon. Rear-Admiral Chen expressed a desire to assist in any possible way, and has directed the Military Commander that firing on ships must cease. No further trouble is anticipated in Hankow here states, and the fighting there has terminated.

It is reported that Cheng Chien is expected at Hankow tomorrow (Friday), November 18th.

More Fighting: The Nationalist troops in Hankow number 30,000. Fighting between Northerners and Nanking troops is reported to be taking place 100 miles north-west of Pukow. Ho Chien is expected to capitulate. His retreating army is firing on convoys which have had to return to Nanking and Chenglin.

THE BRITISH NAVY LEAGUE.

PROTESTS AGAINST GOVERNMENT'S BUILDING PROGRAMME.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, November 18th. The Chairman and Secretary of the Navy League wrote to *The Times* that the Government's decision not to proceed with the laying down of two cruisers voted by Parliament will cause grave concern, and that all patriotic citizens, especially in the Dominions, are of opinion that this will result in a hurried emergency building programme in the future when the country suddenly realises the danger.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.] No Modification in U.S. Programme.

WASHINGTON, November 18th. Britain's decision to lay down only one cruiser will not produce any modification in the United States programme of cruiser building but will strengthen President Coolidge in the inevitable struggle with the "Big Navy" Group in Congress and the Administration.

MEXICO'S NEW PETROLEUM LAW.

LEGAL VICTORY FOR FOREIGN COMPANIES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 18th. The Supreme Court unanimously granted the appeal of the Mexican Petroleum Company, which is American, to restrain the Department of Industry and Commerce from cancelling certain drilling permits belonging to the Company. This is the first case involving the new Petroleum Law.

What The Decision Denotes.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18th. Mr. Guy Stevens, speaking on behalf of the American petroleum companies, which have been fighting the new Mexican petroleum law, declared that the above decision justified completely the attitude adopted by most of the foreign companies in Mexico towards the new law.

TANG SENG CHI. INTERVIEWED IN JAPAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

OSAKA, Nov. 18th. Tang Seng Chi arrived at Kago-shima late last night aboard the *Hiogo Maru*.

Interviewed, Tang said he would return to China after a sojourn at Nagasaki, Beppu, Kyoto and Tokyo.

It appears that Tang cherishes the hope of leading a National Revolutionary Movement, and hinted at the possibility of co-operation with Chiang Kai Shek.

Going To Beppu Hot Spring.

TOKYO, Nov. 17th. A confirmed *Jiji* report states that General Tang Seng Chi has arrived at Kyushu, and is now proceeding to Beppu hot spring.

BRITAIN'S NATIONAL DEBT.

IMPRESSIVE FIGURES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROBURY, Nov. 17th. Mr. Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said the amount of the national debt on March 31st last was £7,622,000,000, and the interest charged for the year ended March 31st was £216,000,000.

The corresponding figures per head of the population were £168 11s. and 2s. 10s. respectively.

These figures, however, taken by themselves, would be misleading, since the nominal total afforded a measure of the burden of debt, and the interest figure for 1926-7 was abnormally high owing to the coal stoppage.

THE LATE RT. HON. C. F. G. MASTERMAN.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROBURY, Nov. 17th. Mr. Charles Masterman, who was one of the most brilliant members of the Liberal Party, died suddenly to-day. By profession he was a journalist. After three years in the House of Commons, he was appointed in 1909 Under-Secretary to the Home Office, whence he passed to the Financial Secretaryship of the Treasury, where he worked in close association with Mr. Lloyd George in the passage of the Health Insurance Act. During the war he was responsible for a large part of the propaganda work.

FLYING FORMER IRISH PEER.

U.S. CITIZEN JOHN CARBERY STARTS FOR CAPETOWN.

OUT TO BREAK RECORD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 18th. John Carbery, the Irish peer who dropped his title on becoming an American citizen, left Croydon, accompanied by a mechanic, in an attempted flight to Capetown in record time. He is flying a Fokker monoplane.

[The 10th Baron, John Evans-Freke Carbery (who is, presumably, the aviator and American citizen "John Carbery"), was born in 1892 and educated at Harrow and Trinity College, Cambridge. "Who's Who" does not refer to his change of nationality. The title dates back to 1715.]

THE FLIGHT TO INDIA.

NO NEWS OF THE FLIERS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROBURY, Nov. 17th. Anxiety is beginning to be felt for Captain McIntosh and Mr. Bert Hinkler, who started from Upavon on Tuesday to attempt a non-stop flight to India.

They had fuel for 47 hours, which expired at noon to-day. Up to this evening, no news had been received of them. They carried no wireless, however, and they may have come down in some locality remote from communication.

WAR SECRETARY'S VISIT TO INDIA.

QUESTION ASKED IN THE LORDS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROBURY, Nov. 17th. In the House of Lords, Lord Forster asked for reasons for the visit to India of the War Secretary. The Earl of Onslow, replying for the Government, said Sir Laming Worthington Evans was not going on an official visit of inspection of the British Army in India. The Government of India was entirely responsible for the British troops in India. His reason for going was that the British Army in India consisted of 60,000 officers and men of all arms, and it must be obvious that when so large a part of the army was stationed in India, there were many questions which concerned both the troops in India and those in this country.

There were matters to be settled which were not purely military. There were problems of organisation and administration, finance, and policy, which depended for their successful solution, both here and in India, upon the closest co-operation of those concerned with the Government of the army at home and in India.

He believed there would be a financial saving to this country if the organisation in India and in this country were brought into line.

SOVIET OFFICIALS.

RELIEVED OF THEIR POSTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, Nov. 17th. The Council of Peoples' Commissaries has decided to relieve Vladimir Smirnov of his post as a member of the collegium of the Central Statistical Board.

DEATH OF MRS. CLAUD KIRKE.

SWATOW CONSUL'S WIFE DIES AT SEA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 17th. Mrs. Kirke, the wife of Mr. Claud Kirke, the British Consul at Swatow, died aboard the steamer *Malwa*, while on the way home with her husband and two daughters, and was buried at sea.

BRITISH FILM BILL PASSED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 17th. The House of Commons has passed the third reading of the British Films Quota Bill.

ROYAL DUTCH CO'S DIVIDEND.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, Nov. 17th. The Royal Dutch Petroleum Co. has declared an interim dividend of 10 per centum.

MISHAP TO GERMAN SEAPLANE.

CAPSIZES IN HORTA HARBOUR.

CREW UNINJURED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HORTA (The Azores), Nov. 18th. The German seaplane D1230, when taking off for Newfoundland, capsized and had to be towed into the harbour. The crew were uninjured.

SIR ALAN COBHAM'S 20,000-MILE FLIGHT.

WANTS DATA FOR CAPE TO CAIRO ROUTE.

SETS OUT IN AN ALL-METAL FLYING BOAT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 17th. Sir Alan Cobham, accompanied by his wife, who will act as his secretary and cook, and also by two engineers and a cinematographer, has started from Rochester on the first stage of a 20,000 mile flight around Africa on a huge all-metal flying-boat, primarily to establish data for a Cape to Cairo air route, and secondly to investigate a scheme for an air line of giant flying-boats from Capetown up the west coast of Africa to England, for which the African gold miners have offered to contract the conveyance of a ton of gold a day.

The airman proceeded, to the accompaniment of cheers from large crowds, via London to Southampton, whence he will leave for Bordeaux to-morrow.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.] Flight Over London.

ROBURY, Nov. 17th. Sir Alan Cobham, who is accompanied by Lady Cobham, Captain Worrell, two engineers, and a cinematograph operator, left Rochester to-day for his air survey of the African coastline. The huge all-metal flying-boat, heavily laden, proceeded up the Thames and flew low over London, where crowds cheered its passage, then on to Reading and Southampton, where it will be moored for the night. To-morrow the flight will be resumed to Bordeaux.

RUMANIAN REFUSAL OF DECREE.

"AN EXTREMELY COMPLICATED QUESTION."

DISCUSSION IN THE LORDS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROBURY, Nov. 17th. Lord Newton, in the House of Lords, asked the Government if it was the case that the Rumanian Government had officially declared its refusal to submit to the decisions of the mixed arbitral tribunal set up under the Trianon Treaty.

He said that very important issues were involved in the question. The conditions of the treaty should be fulfilled, particularly those parts relating to the property of Hungarians in those parts of the Austrian Empire which had been annexed to Rumania.

Lord Cusack, replying for the Government, expressed regret that Lord Newton had raised the question. The matter had been referred to the Council of the League of Nations, and the British Foreign Secretary had been asked to act as *rapporteur* in the case.

The report would go before the Council next month, when it was hoped it would be possible to decide the matter one way or the other. In these circumstances, it was not possible or proper for the British Government in anticipation to go into the merits of the case.

After a further debate, Lord Balfour pointed out that this extremely complicated question was to be thoroughly investigated by a competent tribunal in the course of a very few weeks, and he asked that its judgment should be awaited.

STORM DAMAGE IN WASHINGTON.

PEOPLE INJURED AND MUCH DAMAGE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17th. A number of persons were injured, and many houses and buildings were blown down or unroofed in the south-east and north-east sections of Washington, by a storm. Thirteen men, women and children have been sent to hospital through injuries received. The roof of a school was blown off, but the mistress and 38 children were uninjured. Considerable damage was also done in outlying districts.

MEXICAN BANDITS AGAIN LOOSE.

BATTLE FOLLOWS ATTACK ON TRAIN.

HEAVY CASUALTIES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MEXICO CITY, November 18th. A large band of bandits attacked a passenger train between Patimira and Aguascalientes, and a battle ensued, in which the commanding officer and 19 soldiers were killed, 3 soldiers and 6 passengers were wounded including 1 woman and 2 children. The engine driver and fireman were executed. The train later reached Aguascalientes carrying the wounded.

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS.

KING FUAD ADDRESSES THE EGYPTIAN PARLIAMENT.

POSSIBLE ALLIANCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CAIRO, Nov. 17th. King Fuad, who has returned from his European tour, opened Parliament with a speech from the Throne in which he referred to the satisfaction he felt at the friendly character of the recent Anglo-Egyptian negotiations, facilitating a new Agreement, and possibly an Anglo-Egyptian alliance.

"A Good Understanding."

LONDON, Nov. 17th. The speech of the King of Egypt, at the opening of the Egyptian Parliament to-day, referred to the gratifying reception accorded to King Fuad on his visit to Europe, and added that the Egyptian Premier had seized the opportunity of visiting London with His Majesty to get into touch with the British Foreign Secretary, for consultation on certain political problems, with a desire to consolidate a good understanding between Egypt and the British peoples.

The conversations which took place had contributed towards the attainment of that object.

The two statements also had conversations with the object of ascertaining the respective views of the two Governments concerning the respective views of the two Governments concerning the question of Egypt and the Sudan, in order that if it appeared possible to reconcile those views, negotiations might be undertaken for the conclusion of an alliance enabling completion of Egypt's independence and determining its relations with Great Britain.

Parliament, it was added, would have the last word on the subject of such an alliance.

SEIZURE OF ARMS IN AMERICA.

GUNMEN TO AID GAMBLING RESORT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

OAKLAND, Nov. 17th. Six machine-guns, 40,000 rounds of ammunition, and a number of automatic rifles, besides a large quantity of small arms, have been seized by the police in a house in Albany.

An investigation showed that arms were being sent to Cleveland to be used by gunmen in protecting a large gambling resort.

OBITUARY.

SOVIET DIPLOMAT AND SAVANT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, Nov. 17th. The death has occurred, under circumstances indicating suicide, of Adolph Yoffe, the noted statesman and savant, who participated in the drawing up of the Brest-Litovsk treaty, and was the first Soviet Ambassador to Germany, being subsequently Minister Plenipotentiary to Peking, Tokyo, and then Vienna. He later abandoned diplomacy and became a professor at the Institute of Oriental Sciences in Moscow.

Two Chinese were arrested while they were on a public motor car at the corner of Shanghai Street and Prince Edward Road, Yuen-tai. In their possession one revolver and some ammunition were found. The Police were waiting there for them as a result of information received. They were brought before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday and formally remanded until Monday when two Magistrates will sit to hear the case.

CRICKET NOTES.

I had hoped to be able to get some definite information about the Malaya side from down there, but my correspondent did not deliver the goods, owing no doubt to the difficulty about making up the side. I have managed to collect some information from an old Malayan resident but it is not very full nor is he acquainted with some of the newer arrivals.

N. J. A. Foster is captain and an exceedingly good one, too. As a batsman he is brilliant, but I am told latterly he has rather fallen for an undue exposition of the leg theory and is very often l.b.w. in trying to force the ball away. He is a fine field (slip, I think).

J. W. BULLOCK is in Government service but I believe he is a recent arrival, and we must discover his merits for ourselves.

R. L. L. BRADDELL was, I believe, a contemporary of G. B. Sayer at Oxford and got his blue. He is a useful bat if not quite as dangerous as he once was. He is medium with a fast lowly run.

Capt. C. H. CONNOR was the star bat of the side against the Australians and goodness only knows how many he will make up here. I think the Australian bowling was a shade better than ours.

Capt. F. O'N. FORD. No information except a rumour that he is attached to the Malay Guides.

A. B. JORDAN. A cadet mostly with the Chinese Protectorate. I hear he keeps wicket. I know that in Canton twelve years ago I could beat him at ping-pong. (On reflection this hardly seems pertinent. I hope he won't think it impertinent if it meets his eye. I maintain I did beat him).

Dr. J. M. A. LOWSON is, I think, either a son or a nephew of "Doctor Jim" of that ilk who was such a pillar of our bowling in Interport cricket in the late eighties and early nineties.

Lieut. H. C. HARKER-TAYLOR is a fine bat who played against the Australians with success.

N. H. P. WHITNEY. A bowler who brings the ball down from a good height, and on our wickets should be pretty useful.

Of the remaining "gentlemen" I know nothing. They may be, probably, bowlers, as I gather otherwise the attack would be largely on BraddeLL and Whitney.

Programmes.

The H.K.C.C. have done away with the old coloured programmes and have brought out a very compact little leather pocket book about five inches by three which is most convenient. I am much obliged to the gentleman who sent me my copy. The memoranda on the inside of the cover will be useful for the visiting teams and local enthusiasts may also profit thereby if, striking out the phrase "You are staying with..." they insert the words "Chap to the man" and add their address, all in Chinese. If the card be worn round the neck as an identification disc, there is practically no room for error on the richards' and chair coolies' part, provided they can read. I mention this in view of the awful plight of the gentleman (centuries ago, of course!) who in sheer despair elected to drive seven times round the island and used the car as his bedroom. Wild horses shall not drag from me his name but it was not.

R. ABBIT.

THE INTERPORT.

OPENING MATCH TO-DAY.

HONG KONG v. SHANGHAI.

The Interport programme opens to-day on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground, with the match between Shanghai and Hong Kong. The match will be continued on Monday.

The teams are as under:—
Shanghai.

Capt. E. I. M. Barrett
H. W. Allison
E. G. Barnes
J. T. Hegarty
P. Madar
C. E. Ollerdesen
J. A. Quayle
J. A. Isaacs
T. L. Rawsthorne
L. F. Stokes
D. W. Leach
E. C. Baker (manager).

Hong Kong.

A. W. Hayward (H.K.C.C.)
W. Bruce (K.C.C.)
Lieut. K. Hunt, R.M.
T. E. Pearce (capt.) (H.K.C.C.)
G. B. Sayer (K.C.C.)
A. W. Ramsey (K.C.C.)
Capt. A. G. Dobbie (K.O.S.B.)
Lieut. J. H. Dale, R.N.
Lieut. Hinkley (K.C.C.)
F. Goodwin (K.C.C.)
C. D. Wales (H.K.C.C.).

To-night there is to be a "smoker" at the H.K.C.C. Pavilion. The Interport Dinner will be held on Monday, November 22nd.

FOOTBALL.

FULL LEAGUE PROGRAMME TO-DAY.

FOURTEEN MATCHES.

The following games in the Hong Kong League are down for decision to-day:—

Division I: Kick-off 4.15 p.m.
Kowloon F.C. v. South China.
Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: S. Sgt. Gillett.
China Athletic v. Queen's Regt.
Hong Kong F.C. ground. Referee: Capt. Austin, M.C., M.M.
Scots Guards v. R.A. Sookunpoo ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.
R.A.F. v. Hong Kong Club.
Chatham Road ground. Referee: Mr. Phillips.
Hong Kong Police v. Club de Recreo, King's Park ground. Referee: Sgt. Hysan.

Division II: "A": Kick-off 2.45 p.m.

R.A. v. South China "B".
Sookunpoo ground. Referee: Mr. Cowan.
K.O.S.B. v. Res. v. China Athletic.
Hong Kong F.C. ground. Referee: S. Sgt. Gillett.
St. Joseph's v. South China "A".
St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Pipe Major Mackie.
University v. Kowloon Res.
South China ground. Referee: Sgt. Browne.
Club de Recreo v. Hong Kong Club Res.
King's Park ground. Referee: B.Q.M.S. Hutchins.

Division II: "B": Kick-off 2.45 p.m.

Boy Scouts v. St. Joseph's Res.
Chatham Road ground. Referee: Mr. Presley.
China Athletic v. South China "A".
Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Samy.
Kick-off 4.15 p.m.
South China "B" v. Kung Woo.
South China ground. Referee: Pte. Lamb.
Moslem Club v. Kowloon "B".
St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Stokes.

FORECASTS.

Kowloon are at home to-day to South China. The home team should manage to win. With the inclusion of Jones, of the Navy, Kowloon defence has been strengthened.

The Queen's Regt. are due out on the H.K.F.C. ground against the Athletic and a fast and even game should be seen. The Queen's have scored the most goals in the League this season and Lai Yuk Tat, Ng Kum Chen and Pau Ka Ping are in for a hot time. The Queen's defence is not too sound although Hooper plays a good game. He is inclined to wander and with Sun and Chan in form, he will have a busy time. The Athletic have only dropped a point to date and they are likely to check the winning vein of the Queen's Regt.

The Guards are due at Sookunpoo where they meet the R.A. This game will be vigorously contested and the scoring will be low. Fancy turns to the R.A. who always do well on the Garrison ground. The Guards are the stronger side and should just get home.

The Hong Kong Club are due at Chatham Road ground to meet the R.A.F. A keen game should be seen, but the odds are on the home team winning.

The Police and Recreo meet at King's Park. Here a good game should be seen. A smart forward line against what may be considered the best Club defence at the time. The Police will be weak in attack for Hudson will be absent from the front line. The champions are expected to win.

In the junior "A" the game on the H.K.F.C. ground will be a curtain raiser for the senior game to follow and the stands will be full before the game is half through. The K.O.S.B.'s and Athletic Reserves meet and a win for the military team is assured.

The R.A. meet South China "A" and the Gunners will have to improve if they wish to take full points from the "B"s.

The game on St. Joseph's ground should be keenly contested but the home team are the favourites and should win against South China "A".

Kowloon Reserves are due out on the South China ground against the University and should return with the points.

The game at King's Park between the H.K.F.C. and Club de Recreo Reserves teams is expected to end in favour of the home team.

In the "B" division, the game on the Chatham Road ground between the Boy Scouts and the College Reserves should be in favour of St. Joseph's.

On the Kowloon F.C. ground, the Chinese junior teams are opposed; the Athletic should secure a win over South China.

South China "B" are at home to Kung Woo and the "B" should win.

Kowloon "B" cannot expect to win against the heavy Moslem Club, but they will keenly contest the game on St. Joseph's ground.

HOME FOOTBALL.

THE LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

THE FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

The following are the fixtures for to-day in the English Football League, and in the Scottish League (Division I):—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Birmingham v. Arsenal.
Blackburn R. v. West Ham U.
Bolton W. v. Portsmouth.
Cardiff C. v. Derby County.
Everton v. Sunderland.
Huddersfield Town v. Burnley.
Manchester U. v. Aston V.
Middlesbrough v. Liverpool.
Newcastle United v. Barnley.
Wednesday v. Leicester C.
Tottenham H. v. Sheffield U.

Division II.

Blackpool v. Leeds U.
Bristol City v. Preston N.E.
Chelsea v. Nottingham F.
Clapton O. v. Manchester C.
Grimby Town v. Port Vale.
Notts County v. Barnsley.
Oldham A. v. W. Hampton W.
Reading v. South Shields.
Southampton v. Fulham.
Stoke City v. Swansea Town.
West Brom A. v. Hull City.

Division III. (Southern).

Brentford v. Walsall.
B'mouth & B.A. v. Merthyr T.
Brighton & H.A. v. Plymouth.
Crystal P. v. Newport C.
Exeter C. v. Swindon Town.
Luton Town v. Gillingham.
Millwall v. Coventry City.
Northampton v. Charlton A.
Norwich City v. Watford.
Southend U. v. Bristol F.R.
Torquay U. v. Queen's P.R.

Division III. (Northern).

Barrow v. Crewe Alexandra.
Bradford v. Doncaster R.
Burton & B.A. v. Wigan Boro.
Chesham v. Hartlepool U.
Nelson v. Halifax Town.
Rochdale v. Bradford City.
Rotherham U. v. New Brighton.
Southport v. Lincoln City.
Stockport C. v. Ashington.
Tramere R. v. Darlington.
Wrexham v. Accrington S.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Celtic v. Cowdenhead.
Dundee v. Hamilton A.
Dunfermline A. v. Raith R.
Falkirk v. Rangers.
Hearts v. Aberdeen.
Kilmarnock v. Clyde.
Motherwell v. Bo'ness.
Partick T. v. St. Johnstone.
Queen's Park v. Hibernians.
St. Mirren v. Airdrieonians.

YACHTING.

THE WEEK-END PROGRAMME.

RACES FOR THREE DAYS.

The local yachting season is once more in full swing, and there is an excellent programme for the week-end.

To-day there is the 3rd Championship race for the racing yachts, the course being:—Lyemum Beacon (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Mark on Line (P), Channel Rocks (S). Distance: 9.4 miles.

To-morrow (Sunday) the Cruisers will sail their 2nd Championship race, the course being:—Tathong Rock (P), Mark in Jose House Bay (P), Tathong (S). Distance: 17.25 miles.

On Monday the Ladies will sail their 1st Championship race, the course being:—Channel Rocks (P), Cust Rock Buoy (S), Kowloon Rock (S). Distance: 6 miles.

The following week-end there is a cruise, extending over Saturday and Sunday, to Discovery Bay.

TENNIS.

ST. STEPHEN'S v. DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL.

In a tennis match between students of St. Stephen's College and the Diocesan Boys' School, St. Stephen's proved the victors by 63 games to 46. The match was played on the courts of St. Stephen's College at Pokfulam.

ELECTRICITY IN U.S.

SIX TIMES AS MUCH AS IN CANADA OR GERMANY.

An increase in the output of electricity of 54 per cent. in the past five years is one of the explanations for the achievements of the United States in production and productivity, according to *The Index*, published by the New York Trust Company.

"The United States produces almost six times as much electricity as either Germany or Canada, its nearest competitors, although America ranks third in per capita output. The three branches of the industry—the light and power companies, the street railways, the telephone, and the manufacture of electrical equipment—had a gross revenue in 1926 of some \$5,900,000,000, and an invested capital of about \$18,500,000,000."

GOLF.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

SUNDAY'S STARTING TIMES AT FANLING.

The Jasper Clark Cup competition and the qualifying stages for the Championship will be played at Fanling to-morrow (Sunday). The starting times are given below. The competition games start between 9.35 a.m. and 10.55 a.m.

9.10 and 9.30 a.m. (reserved).
9.35 a.m. F. G. le Gros and A. D. Humphreys.

9.30 " G. Murray and T. S. Whyte Smith.
9.35 " K. S. Robertson and W. Ironside.

9.40 " L. R. Andrews and M. H. Koffey.
9.45 " F. J. de Rome and J. L. Skellern.

9.50 " T. D. E. Pendered and C. L. Sanda.
9.55 " J. R. Beare and H. G. Sheldon.

10.00 " A. O. Brawn and D. G. Bruce.
10.05 " H. F. Bloxham and A. B. Raworth.

10.10 " E. D. Matthews and R. M. Smith.
10.15 " F. S. Harrison and T. L. Christie.

10.20 " A. Leach and C. C. Stark.
10.25 " T. G. Bennett and E. W. Morris.

10.30 " W. L. Dunbar and L. G. S. Dodwell.
10.35 " E. Davidson and J. D. Kinnaird.

10.40 " G. S. Archbutt and A. E. Lissman.
10.45 " J. W. Franks and I. Newton.

10.50 " A. Somerfelt and R. Young.
10.55 " I. D. Erskine and W. D. Brown.

11.04 " H. T. Jackman and L. C. P. Rees.
11.08 " E. R. Hallifax and P. P. J. Woodhouse.

11.12 " H. A. Lammert and F. M. Ellis.
11.16 " A. C. I. Bowker and F. Syme Thomson.

11.20 " J. Fleming and C. J. Thwaites.
11.24 " M. D. G. Hoare and L. A. Calcraft.

11.28 " A. Piercy and H. Spicer.
11.32 " A. R. Henderson and T. C. Monaghan.

11.36 " Comdr. MacMahon and Comdr. Fowle.
11.40 " E. Cowherd and J. Gilmore.

11.44 " J. H. M. Andrew and W. Beveridge.
11.48 " J. Cameron and D. Forbes.

11.52 " K. S. Morrison and H. G. Hegarty.
11.56 " S. S. Perry and R. K. M. Simpson.

12.00 p.m. G. H. Wilson and J. Smith.
12.04 " C. B. Robertson and D. S. Edward.

12.08 " M. G. Mills and C. A. Peel.
12.12 " H. R. Start and C. H. Eldridge.

12.16 " F. Merry and J. W. King.
12.20 " A. L. Cox and D. M. Goodall.

12.24 " E. D. C. Wolfe and V. M. Grayburn.
12.28 " J. Harrop and W. L. Alexander.

12.32 " W. K. Tait and J. M. Norrie.
12.36 " Cdr. Rogers and Cdr. Mackenzie.

12.44 and 12.48 p.m. (reserved).
12.50 to 2.20 (reserved).

SHANGHAI CHAMPIONSHIP.

BLINKO AND MALCOLM REACH FINAL.

PILCHER BEATEN AT 19th HOLE.

The semi-final round of the championship of the Shanghai Golf Club took place at Kiangwan on Sunday, when matches were played off between H. R. Malcolm and B. Lock and between A. B. Blinko and J. F. Pilcher. The result of these was a win for Malcolm over Lock by 3 and 2, while the other pair resulted in Blinko winning at the 19th hole. The conditions, as in the previous match play rounds, were 15 holes, and only in the final, which is due to take place to-morrow, are 36 holes to be played.

Malcolm and Lock.

On account of the wind and the sun-dried state of the course, says the *N. O. Daily News*, good golf was not an easy matter. Depending on the direction of one's putting, the wind made matters decidedly difficult on the greens, and added to this, the grass was very dry. In the case of Malcolm and Lock, the latter seemed to experience little difficulty at the outset when it came to using his putter, and as a result he found himself one up at the 10th hole. Unfortunately for

(Continued on next column.)

RIFLE SHOOTING.

THE INTERPORT COMPETITION.

SELECTION OF HONG KONG TEAM.

As previously stated, the Hong Kong team shoot in the Interport Rifle Shooting Competition between Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Singapore, will take place on Sunday, November 27th.

There is to be a final practice match to-morrow (Sunday), and on Monday the selection committee will meet to choose the team.

Twelve men will comprise the team, the best ten to count. They will be selected from the following: R. S. M. Murray, Scots Guards (82 and 91), C. S. M. Proven, Scots Guards (97, 94, 96 and 92), Sgt. Slater, Scots Guards (80, 81, 85 and 94), Sgt. Quinn, Scots Guards (90, 91 and 92), Mr. W. E. Cook, Dockyard (93, 91, 90 and 96), Mr. Littleton, Dockyard (75 and 77), Mr. W. R. Latham, Dockyard (61, 71, 73 and 80), Mr. F. Young, Dockyard (89, 81, 88 and 93), Mr. Gossett, Dockyard (85 and 82), Mr. C. Swan, Taihook (88 and 89), Mr. H. Summers, Taihook (82, 82, 90 and 85), Mr. A. McIndoe, Taihook (85), Mr. A. Sullivan, Queen's (77), Pte. Leahy, Queen's (85), Sgt. Pryce, R.A.F. (78, 68 and 76), A. B. Gallienne, R.A.F. (85, 69, 82 and 88), Mr. Carl, Argus (81), Mr. Nash, Argus (88), Lieut. Grant, Argus (78), Mr. Barber, Argus (96), Mr. Titherade, Argus (71), Cpl. Willott, Argus (83 and 93), Cpl. Wilkins, Argus (87), Sgt. Mr. Wilkins, Range Staff (78), P. O. Riddler, Range Staff (84), Sgt. Wells, Range Staff (84), Sgt. Cooke, K.O.S.B. (85), A. B. Hoare, Mackie, K.O.S.B. (85), A. B. Lyon, Ironquios (74), Mr. J. A. Lyon, H.K.V.D.C. (84), and Mr. F. C. Goodman, H.K.V.D.C. (84). The numbers in brackets are scores secured in recent practice shoots.

The selection committee is comprised of Messrs. C. E. Frith, Littleton, Cook, Barber, and Summers.

The following were chosen to represent Shanghai in their shoot (Shanghai, as reported by cable, (Shanghai, 24th Nov.)—Messrs. B. E. Caulsford (84), Messrs. F. E. Hodges, ton, C. W. Glover, F. E. Main, R. I. Lo, O. L. Albert, J. R. Main, K. McKelvie, L. A. Mottu, T. S. P. K. V. Sharman, W. E. Sauer, P. V. Sayer, Reserves—A. M. Collaco and A. J. P. Coghlan.

This competition began in 1889, 37 years ago, and has been continued for 29 years. The competition ceased for eight years on account of the war, and other sports being unable to form a team. On being unable to form a team, 12 of 20 matches, Hong Kong won 12, Singapore 9 and Shanghai 8. Shanghai won the last two matches in 1925 and 1926.

The Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps are to enter a team in the Rifle League to compete for the Ballico Shield.

PING PONG LEAGUE.

LATEST POSITIONS.

The latest positions of the League are as follows:—

	P	W	L	D	Pts
Chinese Athletic	10	10	0	0	20
Y.M.C.A.	9	8	1	0	16
Hop Ying Club	10	7	3	0	14
South China	8	6	3	0	12
University	10	6	3	1	13
Tutorial	10	4	5	1	9
St. Peter's	9	4	5	0	6
Catholic Y.M.S.	9	3	6	0	6
St. Louis	8	2	6	0	4

his chances of entering the final he did not keep up this form, and two missed puts in the last half dozen holes made a big difference. Malcolm at this stage was making no mistakes, and although down in the initial stages of the game, he made certain of a win in the last nine holes. Out in 35, he took approximately 36 coming home, while Lock was perhaps three strokes more. Malcolm won by 3 and 2.

Blinko's Win At The 19th.

Both Pilcher and Blinko were in good form, and it was realized that it was anybody's match up to the very last hole played. For one thing Blinko succeeded in keeping his drives straight, and the consequence was that the two were playing stroke for stroke until it came to the green. Here, however, Blinko had the advantage. Pilcher seemed always to put a slight hook on his put, and so while showing what seemed likely to be deadly accuracy from distances such as three yards, he was missing by a bare half inch. All square at the turn, Blinko was two up at the 14th, and then stood dormie one. Then Pilcher squared the match at the 18th, necessitating its being carried on.

At the 18th Pilcher put his drive out of bounds, but even so he nearly secured half, his ball just kissing the hole. It failed to go down, and Blinko entered the final.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

AN AFGHAN'S IMPRESSIONS OF ENGLAND.

NEGRO FETISH DANCES.

CRITICISM OF THE LAW COURTS.

Prior to leaving Asia, writes Sirdar Ikbal Ali Shah, I had formed a mental picture of England and English institutions which was almost Utopian. I still have a very high opinion of your country and its great people, but in strict veracity I am bound to say that I feel somewhat disappointed in many of your customs and institutions, which I was taught to venerate.

I feel that you are magnificent in your charities, and this implies a sound conscience, but I am surprised that, almost a century after Dickens penned his diatribes against social wretchedness, such slums as I have seen continue to exist. In the East I saw buildings, but, needless to say, none of the terrible rookeries which make up the major part of East End.

Whilst on the subject of morality, I am a little amazed at your attitude towards the dance. Although the mere suggestion that you should adopt the American negro's mode of life would shock you profoundly, you still do not hesitate to accept, and indeed glorify, the most grotesque of his salacious antics with their unspeakable names, and these you will allow and even encourage your young sons and daughters to perform.

Dances Of Savages.

Probably most of you are unaware that these dances are relics of a very ancient negro fetishism, which had its genesis in African worship of the unclean. With us the dance is a very ancient art. But if you accept the fantastic gyrations of savagery, you can hardly expect the more cultivated portion of Eastern society to retain its respect for England of today.

Again, I cannot understand your legal system. From my personal of your constitutional histories and works of the kind, I was under the impression that English law was founded on the most rigid principles of justice and equity, and that your trials were carried out with the greatest respect for probity.

On the whole, I believe your legal system to be sounder and more humane than that which exists in most Eastern countries, but I certainly do not feel that it altogether deserves the exalted praise accorded to it by your contemporary historians. There might be something in your saying that history repeats itself, to which I might add that the historians also repeat themselves; for as day-day your murder trials seem to me needlessly prolonged, and I do not think you should allow such crowds of women to frequent your law courts.

Ghouliah Gloating.

These are the mothers of your race, and their ghouliah gloating over horrible details cannot be good for them or the country generally. As an Easterner, too, your divorce courts simply appal me. Why, oh, why, do you wish the dirty linen in public? Our divorce laws are precise and the marriage contract with us—at least those of us who are Catholics—is not nearly such a one-sided affair as is frequently imagined.

These are but a few of the reasons why I am a little disappointed with the present-day England, and often wished to have visited this country during the days of the Great Queen.

MIXED BABIES COMEDY.

TWO MRS. SMITHS CLAIM ONE SON.

ONE SON.

One of the strangest cases of mixed-up babies since the days of Solomon has just been heard in court at Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Samuel Smith went to hospital recently to be delivered, as did two other Mrs. Smiths, by coincidence almost on the same day. She was informed after recovering consciousness that she was the mother of a fine boy.

However, when she left the hospital she received a girl baby, with the statement that one of the other Mrs. Smiths was the mother of the boy and had got possession of him. The case depended upon the testimony of one of the nurses, who swore recently that she did not know the sex of the baby born to Mrs. Samuel Smith. Mr. Samuel Smith then put in a habeas corpus petition for the presence in court of "George Smith," the baby.

The Court, denying Samuel Smith's plea, expressed the hope that as the years went by the little girl would make her parents as happy as if she

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront
News, etc.YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT
RETURNS.MANY ARRIVALS BUT SMALL
CARGOES.

Eighteen vessels arrived here during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, but cargoes both for the Colony and for other ports were below the average.

The Colony's imports only amounted to 8,376 tons. These were discharged by fourteen steamers. Two British ships were responsible for 840 tons. The two best returns were 2,700 tons on the s.s. *Kojun Maru*, from Dairen and 2,169 tons on the s.s. *Hsin Fook Sing*, from Port Redon.Through freights were slightly better, 14,348 tons being manifested. Three British steamers accounted for 2,733 tons. Japanese vessels, however, were the best carriers. The *Tango Maru*, had 2,390 tons from Melbourne and Manila and the *Kaiyue Maru* from Keelung, had 2,061 tons.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships and auxiliaries in port yesterday were:—
South Wall Basin, *Tarantula*, Tern; East Wall Basin, *S/Ms. L.1, L.2, L.3, L.4, L.5, L.6, L.7, L.8, L.9, L.10, L.11, L.12, L.13, L.14, L.15, L.16, L.17, L.18, L.19, L.20, L.21, L.22, L.23, L.24, L.25, L.26, L.27, L.28, L.29, L.30, L.31, L.32, L.33, L.34, L.35, L.36, L.37, L.38, L.39, L.40, L.41, L.42, L.43, L.44, L.45, L.46, L.47, L.48, L.49, L.50, L.51, L.52, L.53, L.54, L.55, L.56, L.57, L.58, L.59, L.60, L.61, L.62, L.63, L.64, L.65, L.66, L.67, L.68, L.69, L.70, L.71, L.72, L.73, L.74, L.75, L.76, L.77, L.78, L.79, L.80, L.81, L.82, L.83, L.84, L.85, L.86, L.87, L.88, L.89, L.90, L.91, L.92, L.93, L.94, L.95, L.96, L.97, L.98, L.99, L.100, L.101, L.102, L.103, L.104, L.105, L.106, L.107, L.108, L.109, L.110, L.111, L.112, L.113, L.114, L.115, L.116, L.117, L.118, L.119, L.120, L.121, L.122, L.123, L.124, L.125, L.126, L.127, L.128, L.129, L.130, L.131, L.132, L.133, L.134, L.135, L.136, L.137, L.138, L.139, L.140, L.141, L.142, L.143, L.144, L.145, L.146, L.147, L.148, L.149, 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